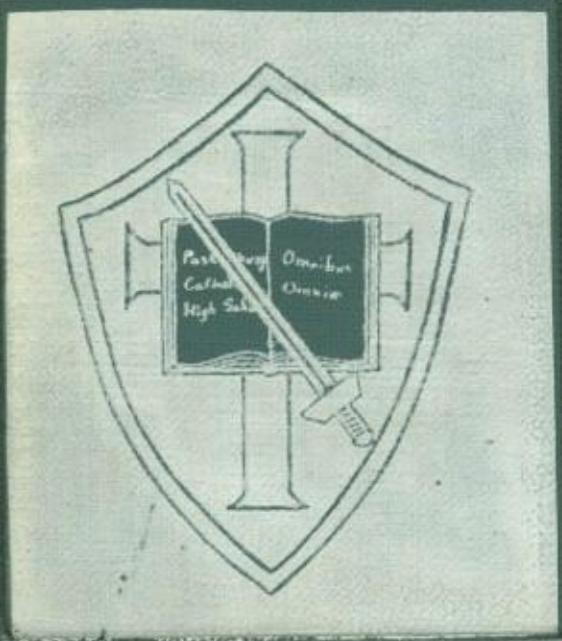


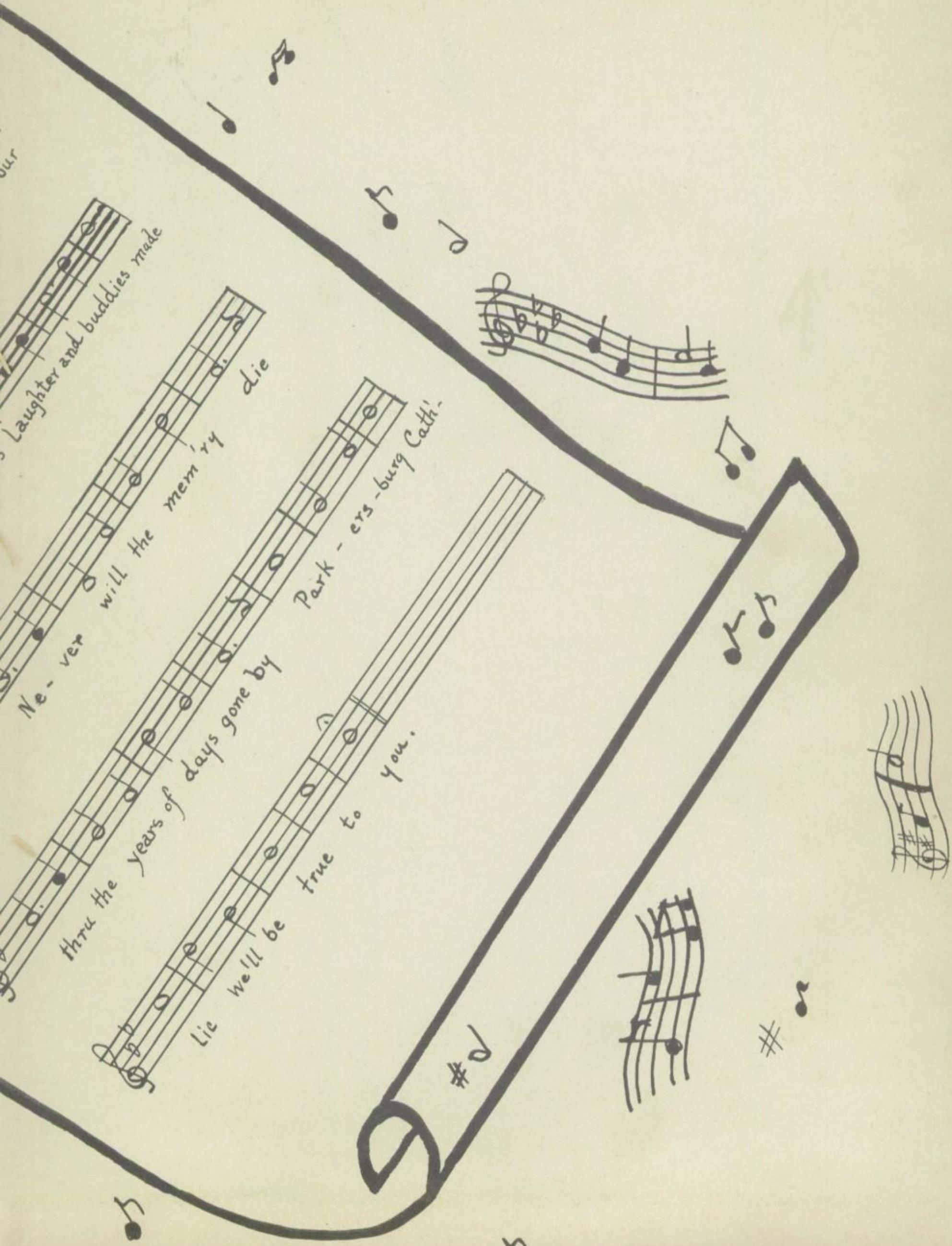
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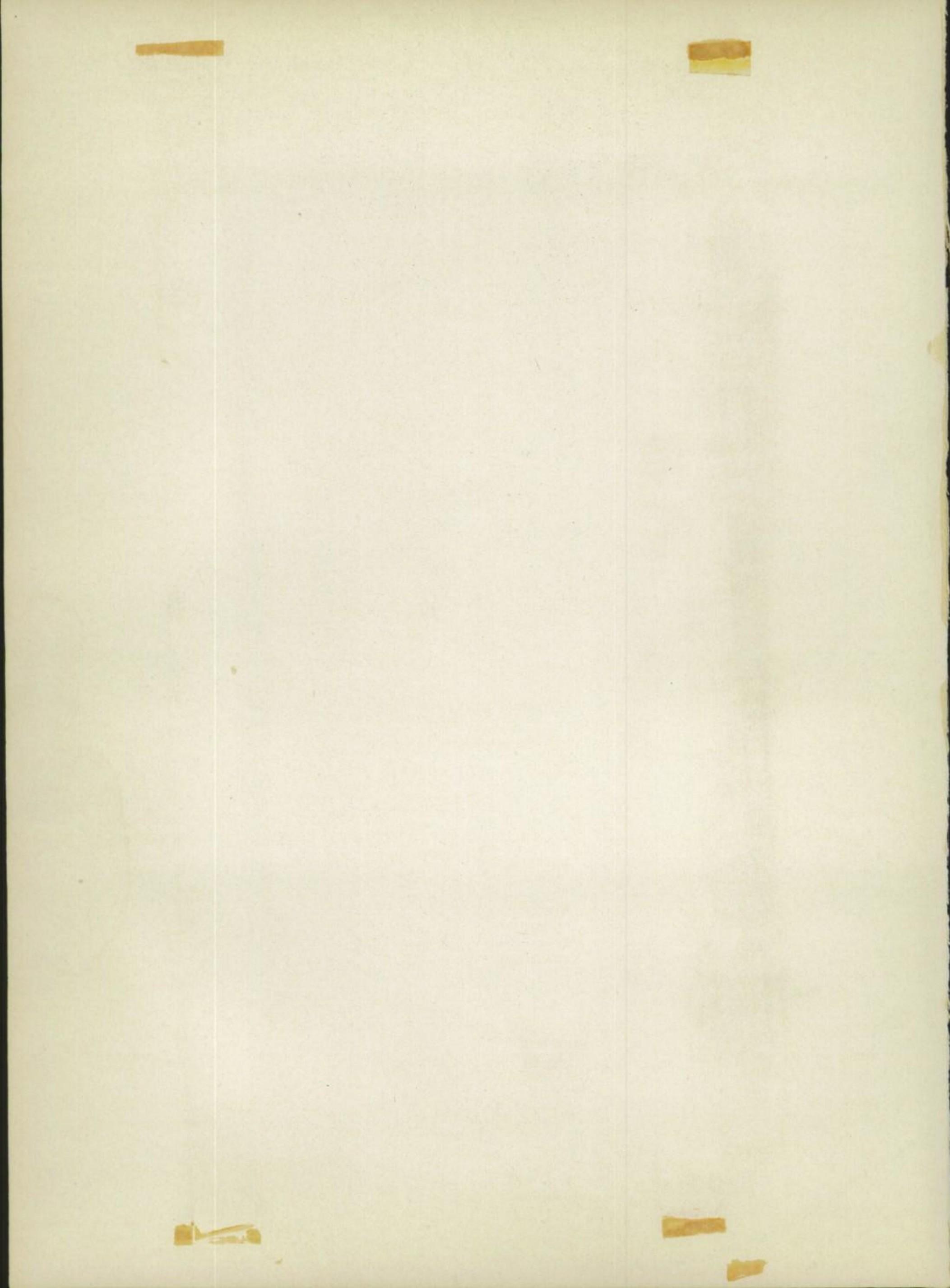


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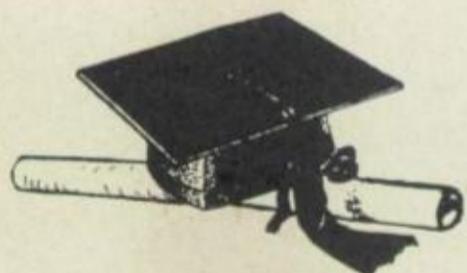
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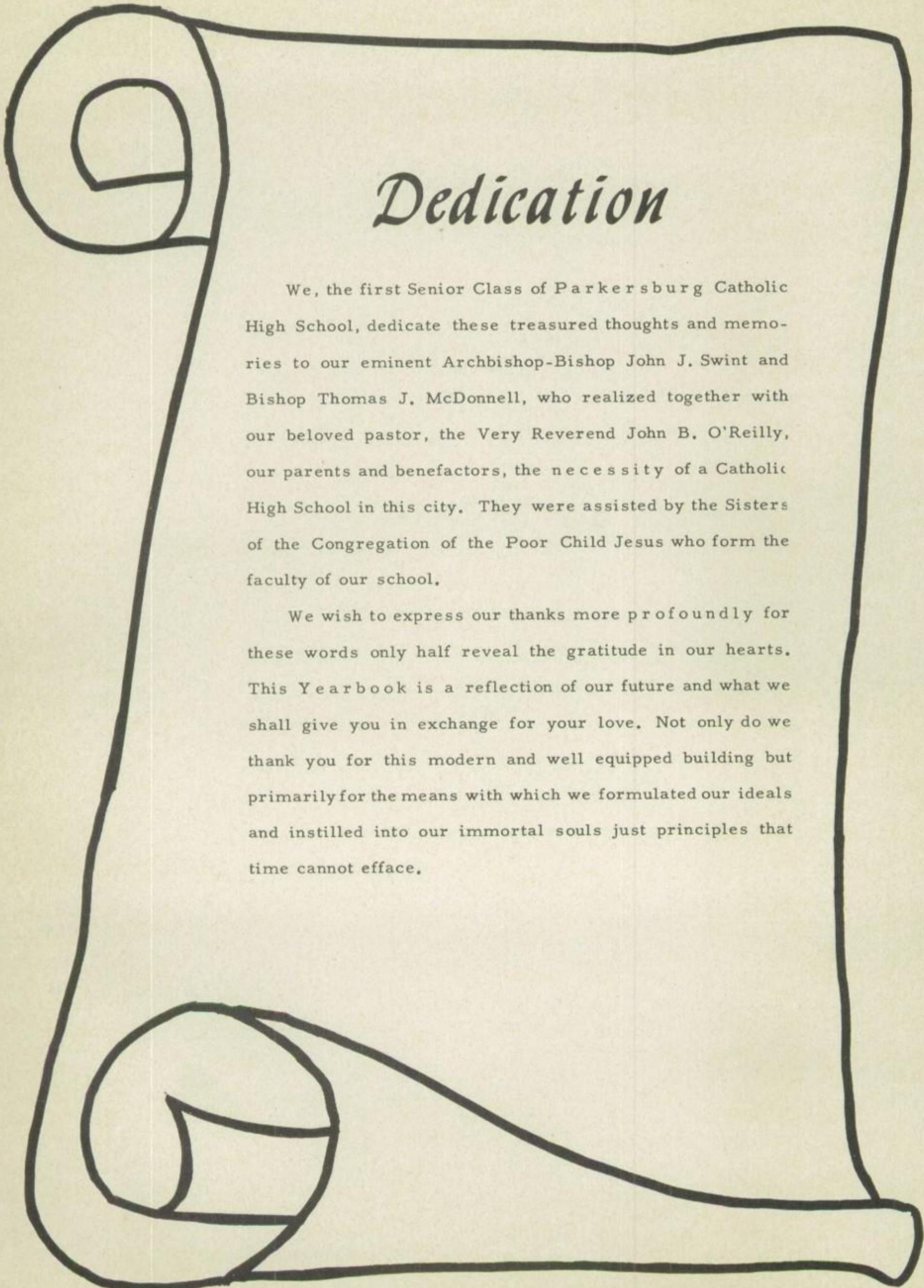
Omnia '55



Omnibus Omnia--"To become all things to all men for the sake of Christ" is our belief and challenge as students of Parkersburg Catholic High School. To us, it is a challenge that must be faced. Through the guidance of the Faculty and by our determination and earnest endeavor we have prepared ourselves to accept this reality.

To reach our goal we have thought vitally, reflected carefully and chosen wisely the ideals and principles which form the core of our Catholic way of life. Lifelong practice of these fundamental truths will gain for us the reward promised to the faithful servant: "Come ye blessed of my Father. Enter ye into the joy of the Lord."

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We, the first Senior Class of Parkersburg Catholic High School, dedicate these treasured thoughts and memories to our eminent Archbishop-Bishop John J. Swint and Bishop Thomas J. McDonnell, who realized together with our beloved pastor, the Very Reverend John B. O'Reilly, our parents and benefactors, the necessity of a Catholic High School in this city. They were assisted by the Sisters of the Congregation of the Poor Child Jesus who form the faculty of our school.

We wish to express our thanks more profoundly for these words only half reveal the gratitude in our hearts. This Yearbook is a reflection of our future and what we shall give you in exchange for your love. Not only do we thank you for this modern and well equipped building but primarily for the means with which we formulated our ideals and instilled into our immortal souls just principles that time cannot efface.



Parkersburg Catholic High School now graduates its first Senior Class of '55. As St. Francis Xavier Grade School, the doors were opened to the children of the city in September, 1923, and the classes were staffed by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Then

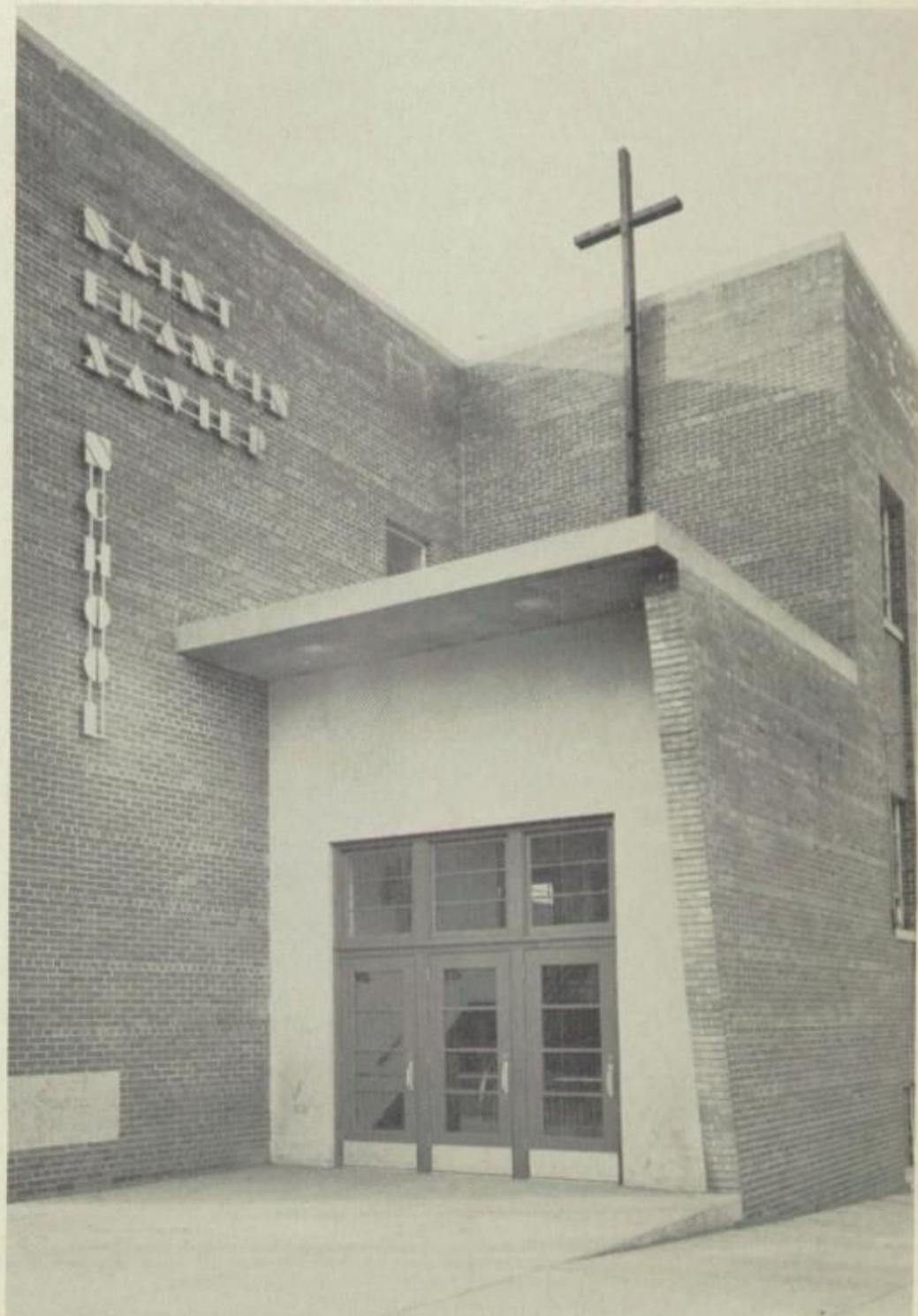
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Now...

These good Sisters remained for one year pending the preparation of St. Raphael's Convent for the Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus to whom His Excellency Archbishop-Bishop John J. Swint had entrusted the schools of the city.

Father McBride had purchased a residence on Juliana St. which was converted temporarily into an attractive school. This building was maintained for twenty-five years as St. Francis Xavier Junior High School.

In 1949, the Very Reverend John B. O'Reilly undertook the arduous task and colossal debt involved in the construction of the fine modern building which we know today and have enjoyed for the past four years as students of Parkersburg Catholic High School.



School Hymn



OUR PATRON
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

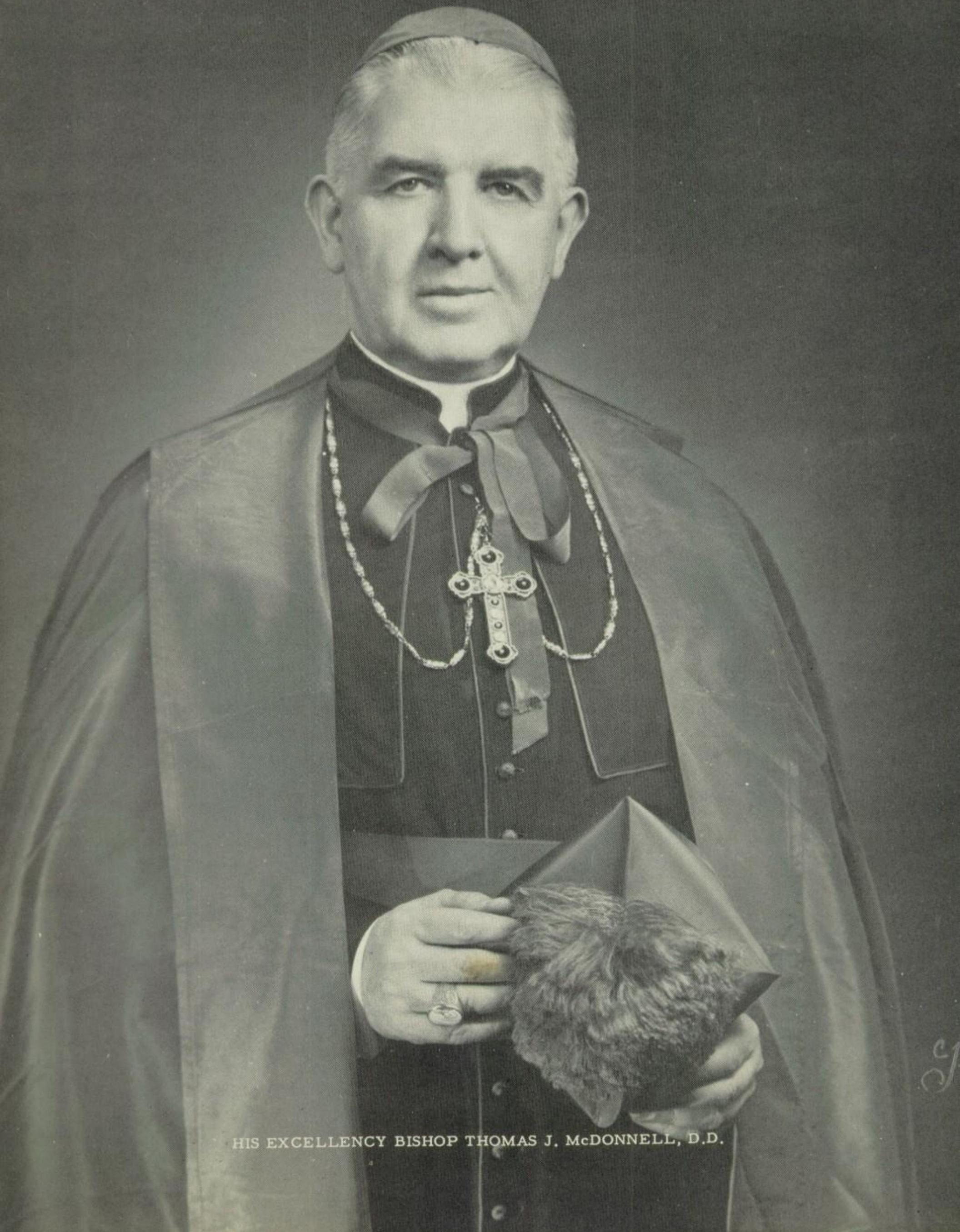
We greet thee, Francis Xavier
Loyola's greatest son,
Thy daring soul's seraphic love
Unnumbered souls have won.
We greet thee, great Apostle,
Whose heart was all afire,
To do for Christ, to die for Christ
And Christ alone desire.
We greet thee, Francis Xavier
Our Lady's royal knight
Thy faith, thy love and chastity
Rare jewels in her sight.

Lead on to battle, Xavier,
That souls to Christ we save
Unfurl Christ's royal banner,
In glory shall it wave.
Lead on against the evil,
'Gainst Satan full arrayed,
Thy comrades march beside thee
Undaunted, unafraid.
We'll follow thee and conquer,
All dangers will we face.
St. Francis Xavier, lead us on,
Dear Christ, give us Thy grace.

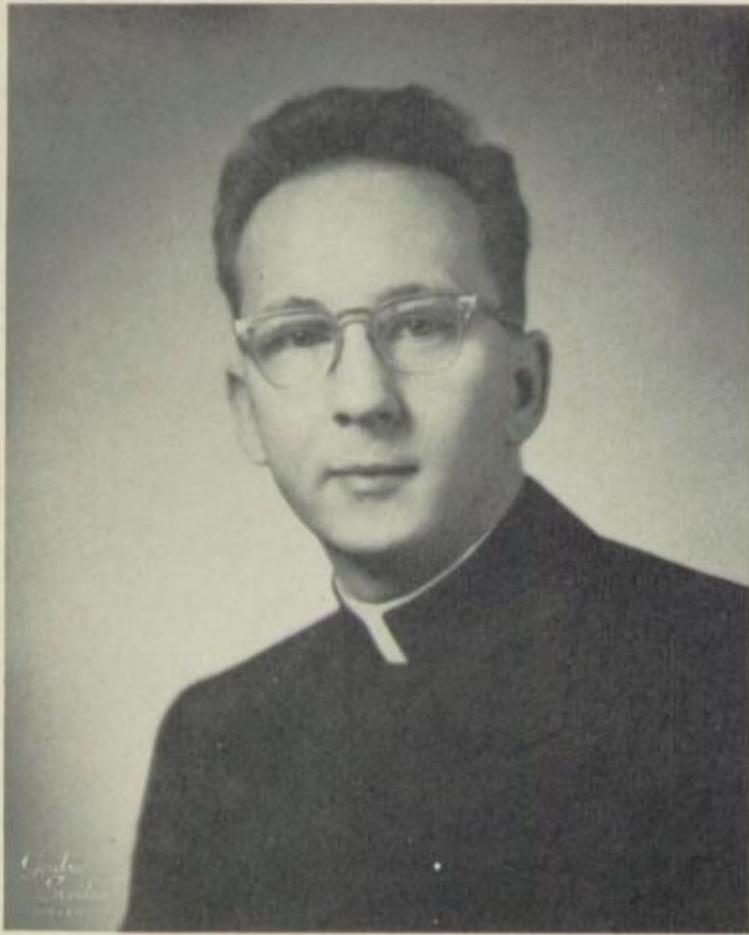




HIS EXCELLENCE ARCHBISHOP-BISHOP JOHN J. SWINT, D.D.

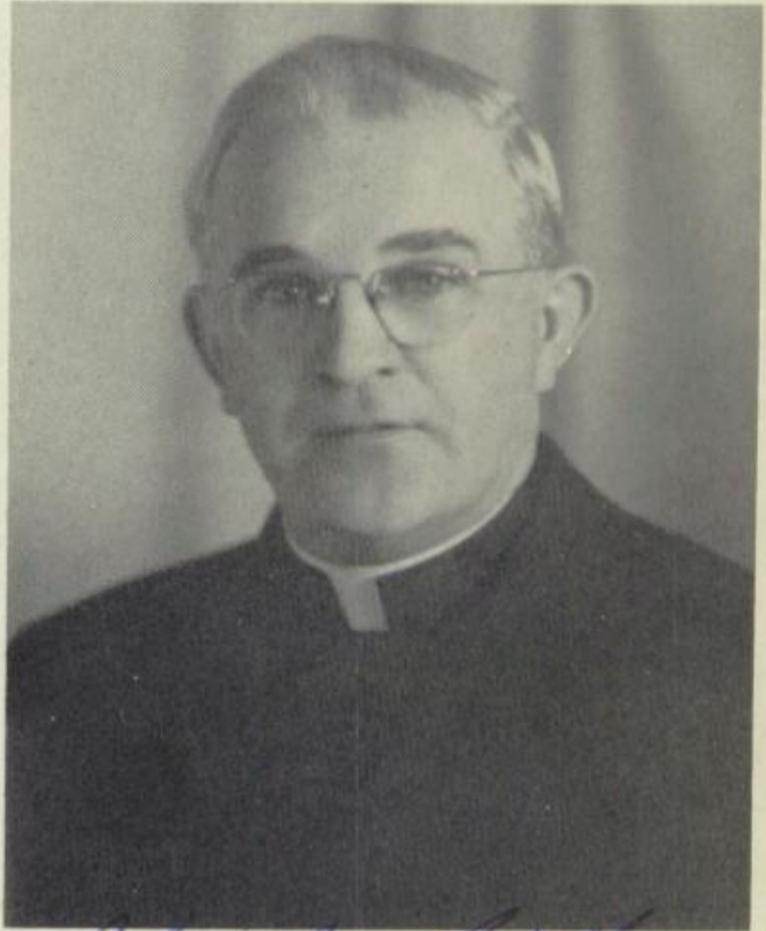


HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP THOMAS J. McDONNELL, D.D.



Reverend Daniel J. Kirwin
Superintendent of Schools
Diocese of Wheeling

Very Reverend John B. O'Reilly
Pastor of St. Francis Xavier's
Parish

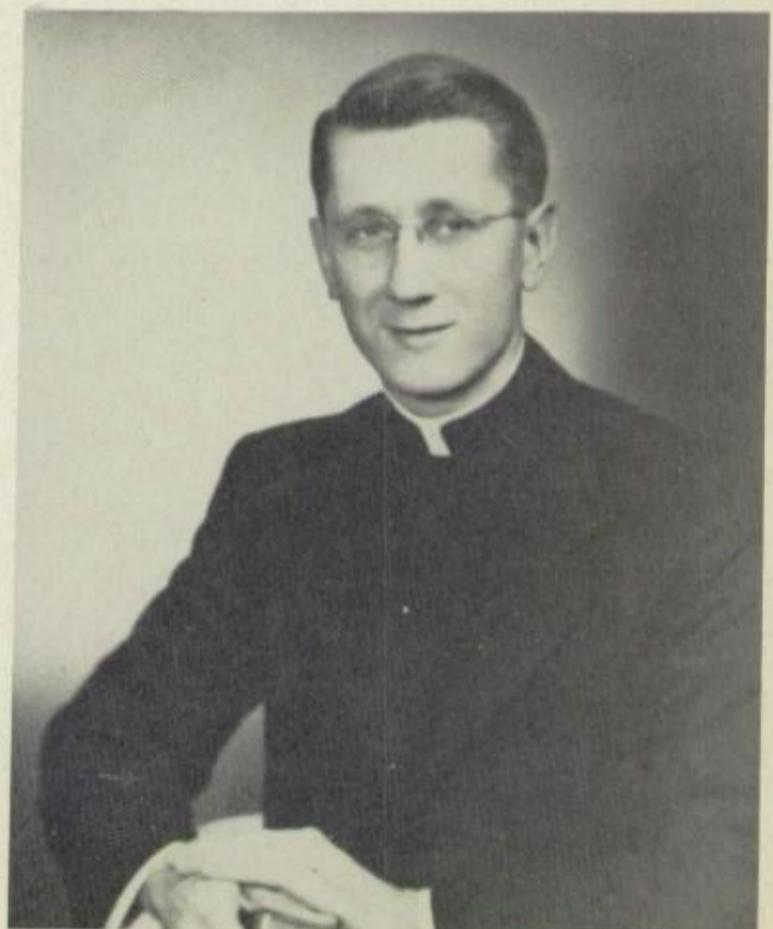


John B. O'Reilly

Reverend Leo Werner
Assistant Pastor of St. Francis
Xavier's Parish



Reverend Francis Scheuerman
Pastor of St. Margaret Mary's
Parish





MOTHER CLARE FEY, loving guide, great teacher, and courageous Foundress of the Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus whose daughters have taught us from the days of our childhood and on up through our youthful days. Her words: "Let us love the children because Jesus loves them and let us love Jesus in every child" find their counterpart in our teachers and do justice to the true Mother.

She has watched over the Sisters since 1924 when St. Francis Xavier School first came under the care of her Congregation. No doubt she rejoiced at the dedication of the new school. It is presumably through her intercession we have obtained many favors.

It is with deep gratitude and love that we salute this Venerable Mother, whose pioneer daughters came to our shores. In her name and in their turn they have guided us, her American children.



Reverend Mother Theotima, P.C.J.
Provincial and Supervisor of
our Schools.



Sister Mary
Henrica, P.C.J.
Principal

Sr. M. Henrica, P.C.J.



Sister Frances Teresa, P.C.J.
Junior Class
Librarian, Maths, English

*Sister Frances Teresa,
P.C.J.*



Sister Augusta
Maria, P.C.J.
American History



Sister Mary
Innocentia, P.C.J.
Commercial Studies

Faculty

*Sister Mary Innocentia
Sister Mary*



Sister Mary
Alfreda, P.C.J.
Latin and Music



Sister Clara
Devota, P.C.J.
Biology and Home Economics



Sister Anna
Veronica, P.C.J.
Chemistry and Physics



Coach Michael Nedeff
Athletic Director and
Social Studies



*Sister Anna
Veronica, P.C.J.*

Michael Nedeff

Fulgens Corona



As the first graduating class of Parkersburg Catholic High we are proud and humble to bear the name: "Marian Year Class." May our love and service offered through her to God be ever inspired by our devotion to Mary, Mother of a Divine Son.

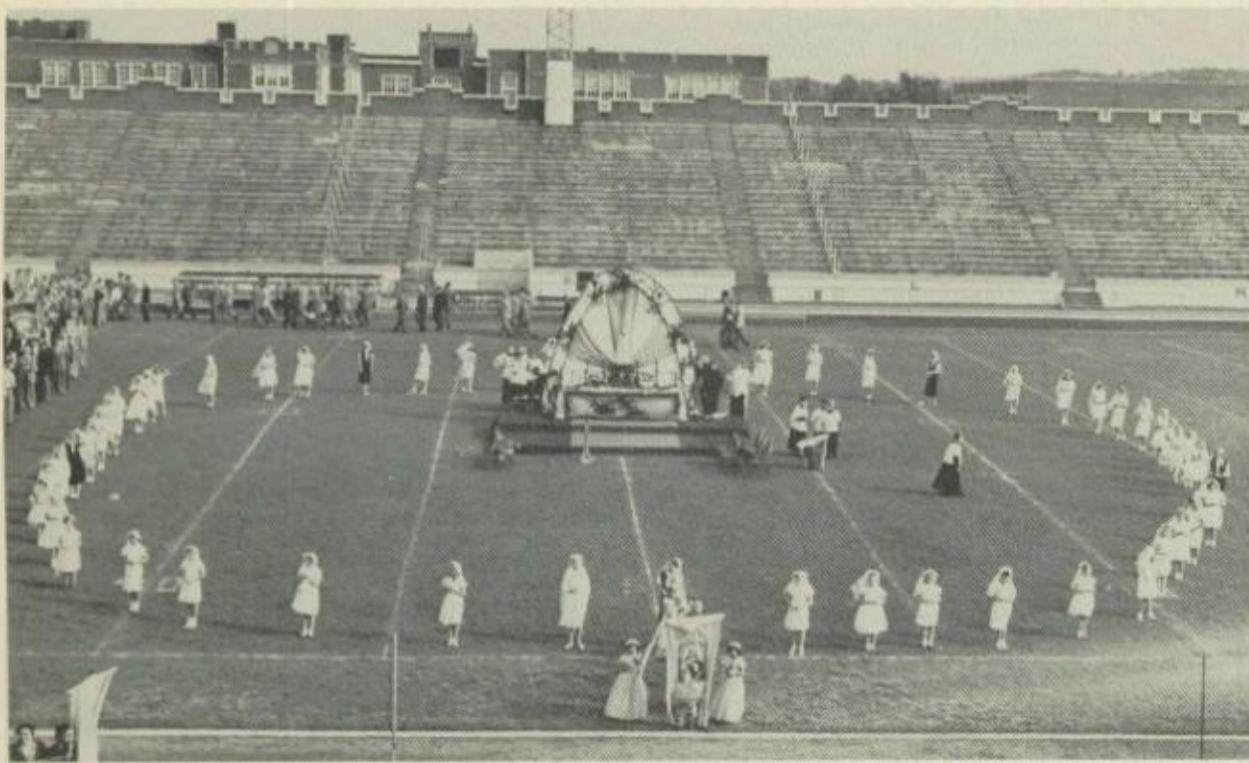
Our religious activities have entered prominently into our life and we have felt privileged to have participated in them. Some of these activities are summarized in the pictures presented in this section. There have been ways in which we have endeavored to show Our Lady that we wished to be especially dedicated to her Cause in the salvation of souls. A number of students were privileged to take part in the C.S.M.C. Marian Convention at Notre Dame University in August, 1954.

On her great day, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, we received our blessed class rings at the altar rail in St. Francis Xavier's Church, from the hands and with the congratulations of our pastor, Father John B. O'Reilly.

May the thoughts which filled our hearts at that moment remain forever with us.

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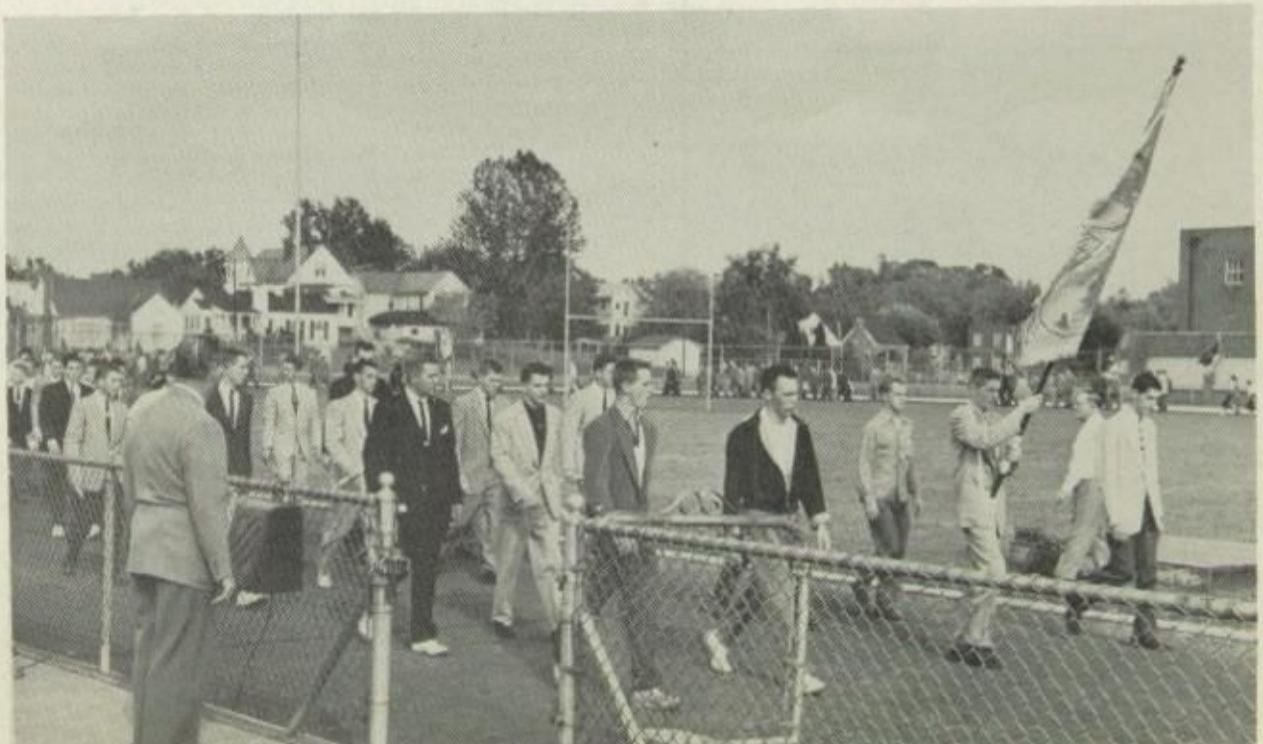


On October 10, 1954, the living Rosary was formed by the girls of St. Francis Xavier's Grade School.

Senior boys of P.C.H.S. led by Mike Griffin carrying the school banner march in honor of Mary.



Our senior boys march proudly forward displaying their love for Mary.



Marian Year



Erma Fleming, Barbara Halfhill, Barbara Kaltenecker and Cornelia Bird prepare Our Lady's statue for the opening of the Marian Year.



Hail Mary, full of grace
forgive us sinners now
and at the hour of our
death. Amen



The Fatima Group on
the road to Notre Dame.

C. S. M. C.



16TH NATIONAL C.S.M.C. CONVENTION, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, AUG. 26-28, 1954

The main altar in Sacred Heart Church,
Notre Dame University

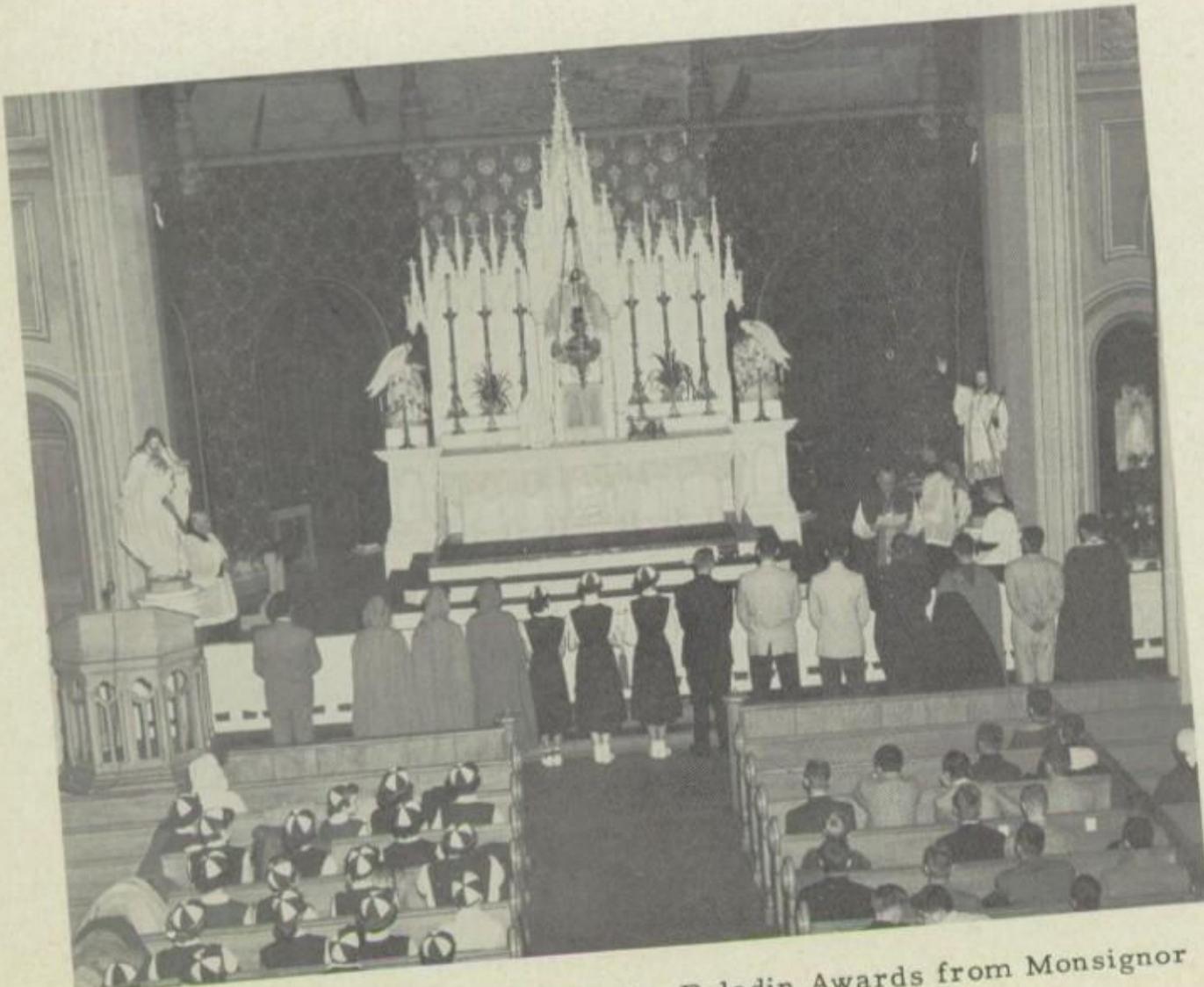
The dome of Mary overlooking the
beautiful Notre Dame Campus



CONVENTION



Catholic Students Mission Crusade Officers of 1955.
Seated: Jim Deem (Guardian of the Chapel), Sister Frances Teresa
(Moderator) and Mary Morehead (Suzerain). Second Row: Cornelius
Bird, Gail Huddleston, Don Ayersman (Major Domo), Sonny Peterman,
and Rose A. Ellem.



Notre Dame delegates receive the Paladin Awards from Monsignor
Edward Freking, Secretary of the C.S.M.C.

MARY



Cornelia Bird, senior student, prays in honor of Mary, Queen of the May.

OUR QUEEN



Rose Ann stands in front of Mary's shrine with her twin train-bearers.

Since the formation of our school it has been a tradition in P.C.H.S. to elect a "queen" to crown the Virgin Mary's statue in the annual May Procession.

During the past four years the honor has been bestowed upon Cornelia Bird, Rosemary Yencha, Patricia Bell and Rose Ann Ellem respectively.



The May Queen marches proudly down the aisle towards Our Lady's Altar.

Rose Ann Ellem, "May Queen," and her Court.



PRAY



Senior Class attends School Mass.

Hearing Mass DAILY Can Help YOU

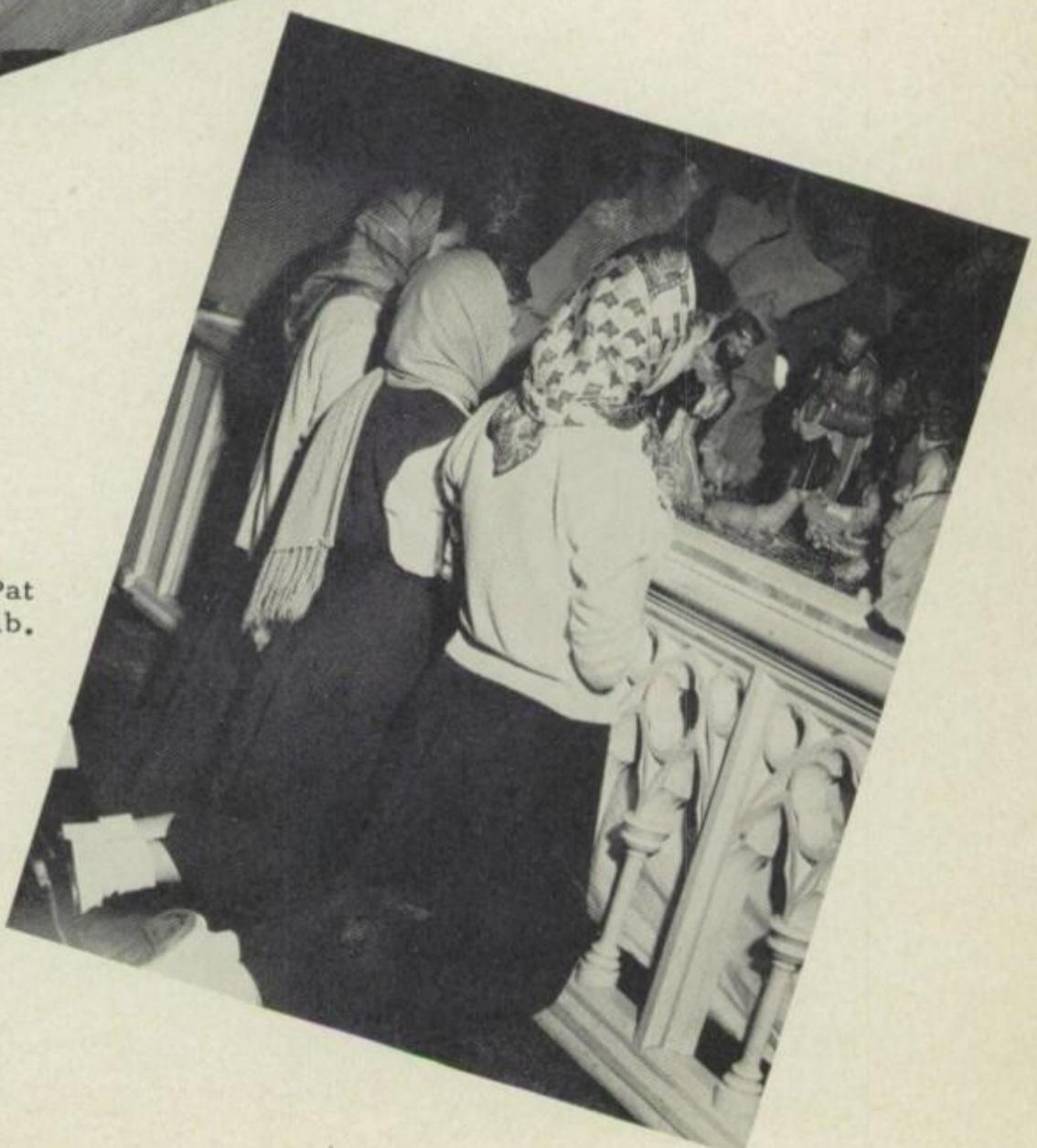
- to avoid temptation and sin.
- to find peace amid the trials of life.
- to grow in the love of God.
- to thank God for all His blessings.
- to obtain protection against all dangers.
- to gain the favors of which you stand in need.
- to shorten the Purgatory of your dear departed ones.

- Archbishop Cushing

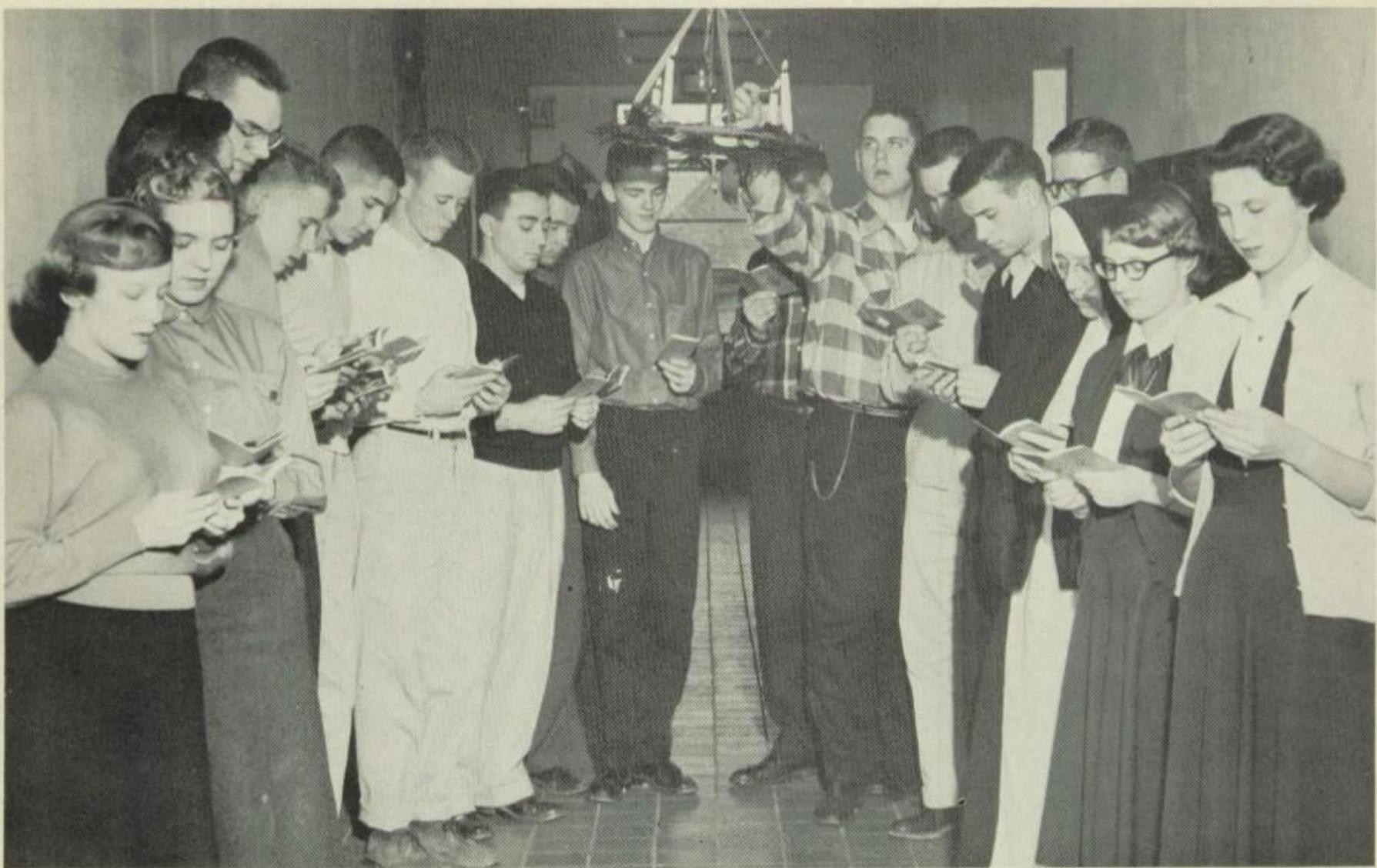
THE MASS



Sonny and Jerry pray fervently during Mass.



Rosemary, Shirley, and Pat make a visit before the Crib.



The Seniors keep the age-old tradition of lighting the Advent Wreath.



Senior Patricia Nelson receives Confirmation from the hands of Bishop McDonnell.



During the past four years you have made honest efforts to further the words of Saint Paul, "To become all things to all men for the sake of Christ." What has this striving meant to you and how will it be exemplified in the years to come? In school you have been deeply and firmly grounded in your Faith and have been taught all things in the light of Christian ideals. Now it is your turn to carry your treasure forth into the world, to be torch bearers in the army of Christ. You must know that it is your privilege to carry the light, to be imbued with apostolic zeal so that you may influence everyone you meet.

This you will do foremost in setting a living example by conscientiously observing all the Commandments. Thus you show that a true Christian can meet any situation in life, and solve everyday problems in a righteous way.

--Faculty

Senior Class Officers



James Lyons, President; Rose Ann Ellerm, Vice-President; Donald Ayersman, Treasurer; and Rosemary Yencha, Secretary.

*Don*

DONALD LEE AYERSMAN

An honor student and President of the Student Council for three years, he is the President of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit. A member of the Science Club and a four letter man on the basketball team, he has proven himself a whole-hearted supporter in every school activity. Don excels in high ideals and lives up to them.

FREDERICK JOSEPH BANASIK

A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit and a participant in the Dramatics and Glee Club, he is known for his "Tennessee Ernie Banasik" style of vocalizing. Fred played successfully on the Crusader Team for two years. He is a keen and witty observer with a perpetual laugh.

Fred Banasik

PATRICIA ANN BELL

Here's a redhead who's both sweet and kind. One of the first cheerleaders and May Queen in '53," she participated in the Drama Festival '54." She was also a delegate to the C.S.M.C., a member of the Glee Club and Omnibus Omnia staff, and winner of a Crotty prize.

Patricia Byrnside

CORNELIA ELLEN BIRD

"Corn" is continually wearing a radiant smile and always ready to work long and hard. Cheerleader for four years, May Queen in '51," Student Councilor and a participant in the Drama Festival in '55," she was both an officer and delegate to the C.S.M.C.

PATRICIA ANN BYRNSIDE

Pat's pert, pretty and freckle-faced. Hard working Business Manager of the Omnibus Omnia, member of the C.S.M.C., she also took part in the "Bohemian Girl" and the Drama Festival in '54."

Seniors



1955

Best of Luck
Carol Ann
Compton



CAROL ANN COMPTON

Red hair, blue eyes and an infectious smile, Carol wins the affection of all. She has been a member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit and an ardent supporter of all school activities. She also took part in the "Bohemian Girl" and the Drama Festival in '54."

ROSE ANN ELLEM

"Rosie" with her big brown eyes that sparkle with her pleasing personality, is always "tops" with her fellow classmates. Vice-President of the Senior Class, Co-Editor of Omnibus Omnia, a participant in the Drama Festival '55, she was also May Queen, a member of the Dramatics Club and a Crotty prize winner.

JEROME MATTHEW GOEBEL

The quiet type--that's Jerry with his friendliness and smiles. Editor of the Crusader, the school paper, and a member of the Dramatics Club, Jerry has served on the basketball team for three years. He is also a member of the C.S.M.C. and participated in two Drama Festivals.

Rose
Ann

Jerry
Goebel



Helen Griffin
Mike "Shadow" Griffin

HELEN JANE GRIFFIN

Full of vitality, Helen is always ready for a good laugh and takes things in her stride. An enthusiastic cheerleader for three years and a May Queen Attendant, she also participated in the "Bohemian Girl" and was a member of the C.S.M.C.



MICHAEL GRIFFIN

Mike is recognized as the ping-pong champ of P.C.H.S. and a good humor man. He also was a member of the Dramatics Club and a member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit.



CHARLES GRISSO

Always ready to lend a helping hand, "Chuck" is noted for his artistic ability. A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, "Chuck" was also an outstanding member of the Art Club. His keen interests are hunting and fishing--the rough and rugged type.

Raynes Huddleston

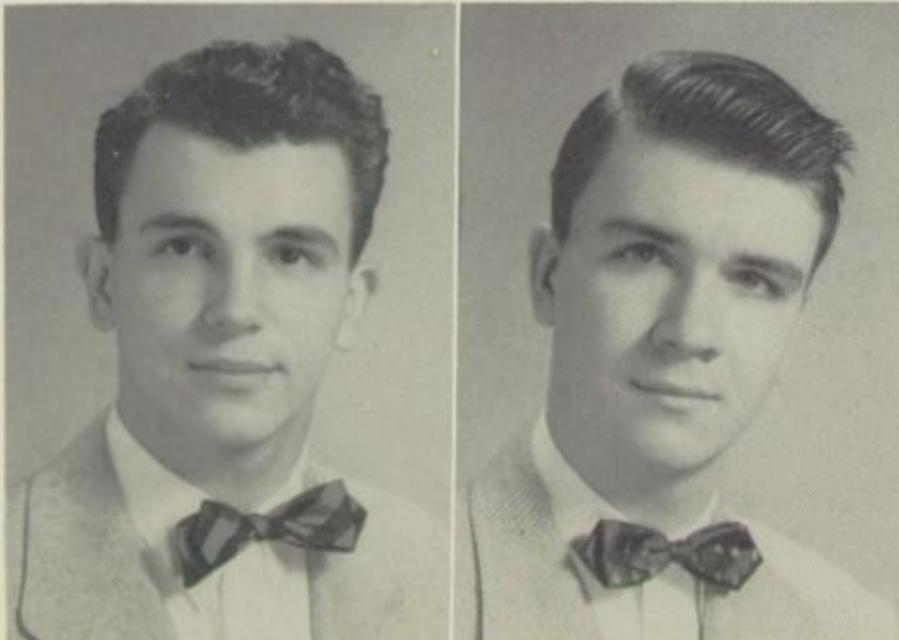
SHIRLEY HARLESS

Petite and cute with a cheerful disposition that's very contagious, Shirley possesses a funny bone and a good voice that was put to good use in the "All Star Revue" and the Glee Club. She was also a member of the C.S.M.C.



RAPHAEL HUDDLESTON

Better known as "Haynes," he is dependable, sincere and earnest. A member and delegate to the C.S.M.C., "Haynes" participated in the "'54' Drama Festival. He was also a member of the Dramatics Club, served three years on the basketball team and was a member of the Art Club.



JAMES LAWRENCE LYONS

Energetic, amiable, considerate --these words describe our Jim, who was the Senior Class President, Editor of Omnibus Omnia, Student Councilor and a delegate and member of the C.S.M.C. Jim also participated in the Drama Festival '55,' the Dramatics Club and was a Crotty prize winner.

DONALD MARKEY

"Kane" was the school photographer, a member of the Science Club and C.S.M.C. Mission Unit. "Kane" served on the Omnibus Omnia staff and is noted for his dry sense of humor.

Seniors



1955



JAMES ROBERT McCARTHY

Known as "Ace" to his friends, Jim was tagged with this name due to his shrewd basketball ability. Jim also was a member of the Science Club, C.S.M.C. Mission Unit and was a four letter man for the "Crusaders." Witty and likeable--that's "Ace."

*Christina Shaw
Mc '55*

CHRISTINA McGRAW

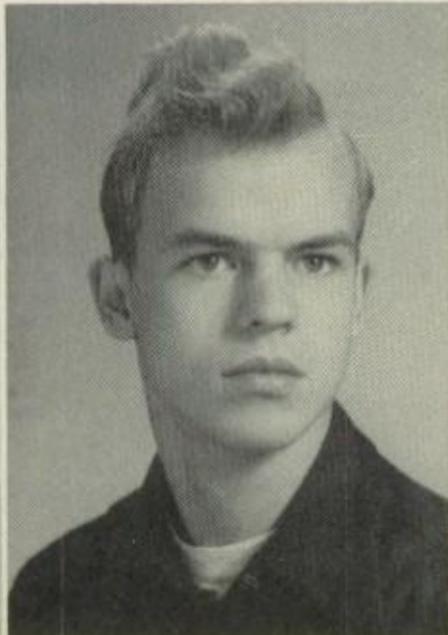
Quiet, good natured and always ready to give a helping hand. During her first year here she has risen to the rank of Assistant Librarian and is also a member of the Future Nurses Club.

JOHN MORRIS

Co-Editor of the Crusader, member of the Dramatics and Glee Club and Vice-President of his Junior Class, "Long John" served on the basketball team three years. Our John--gallant, talkative and cheerful.



John Morris



PATRICK McGUIRK

We predict that our Pat will someday be another Rembrandt and his excellent typing also makes him very valuable to P.C.H.S. He was elected President of the Art Club and a member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit.

PAUL MYERS

A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, two-letter man on the basketball team, Paul was also an outstanding Glee Club member. Good natured and helpful--that's Paul.

Seniors



1955

May you have the best of luck in the future.

Patricia Nelson
1954-55



PATRICIA NELSON

Within her first year in P.C.H.S. Pat has become a member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, Assistant Librarian and a member of the Future Nurses Club. Patty is possessed of a gay sense of humor and a knack for helping people out.

KENNETH ALLAN PETERMAN

An active member of the Student Council for three years, four letter man on the Crusaders, member of the C.S.M.C. and Science Club, "Sonny" was also stage manager for four years. Dependable and hard working, you can always count on "Sonny."

ROBERT LOUIS PILCHER

A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, Science Club, Student Council, "Big Bob" served as captain of the Crusader basketball team for four straight years. Always ready for a good laugh, Bob is everybody's friend.

Kenneth Allan Peterman



Bob Pilcher

"55"
Joann Saccone Danny White



JOANN SACCOME

A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, Joann worked on the Crusader staff as typist. Partaker in the All-Star Revue and Glee Club, Joann is a hard worker and is very likeable.

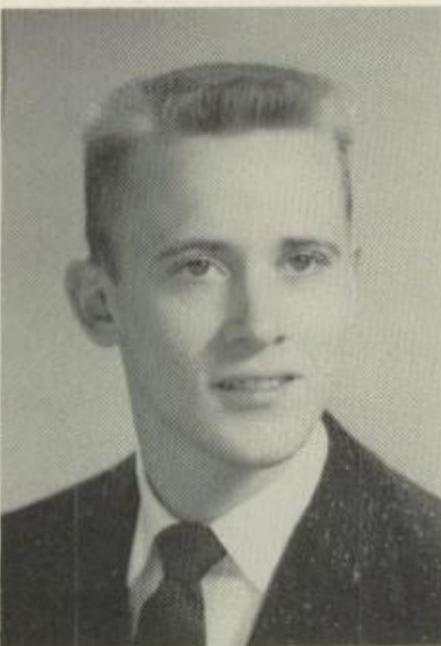
DANIEL ALBERT WHITE

An honor student, delegate to the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, Crotty prize winner, "White Man" has been a member of the Science Club and a Student Councilor for four years. He is well known for his amiable personality and his usefulness and help in the various departments of the school.

Seniors



1955



THOMAS WHITLATCH

A member of the C.S.M.C., Tom has seen two years of service on the basketball team. Tom also served as Sergeant-at-Arms in his Junior Year. Happy-go-lucky and carefree describes Tom to a "T."

LARRY WITT

Larry has a know how when it comes to making friends. A member of the Omnibus Omnia staff he has proven himself an earnest supporter in all school activities. "Cat Man Witt" is distinguished by his sharp taste in clothes. Industrious and reliable spells Larry.



DANIEL WINDLAND

A member of the C.S.M.C. Mission Unit, Danny was an outstanding member of the Art Club. We particularly liked his slow grin and lazy drawl.

ROSEMARY YENCHA

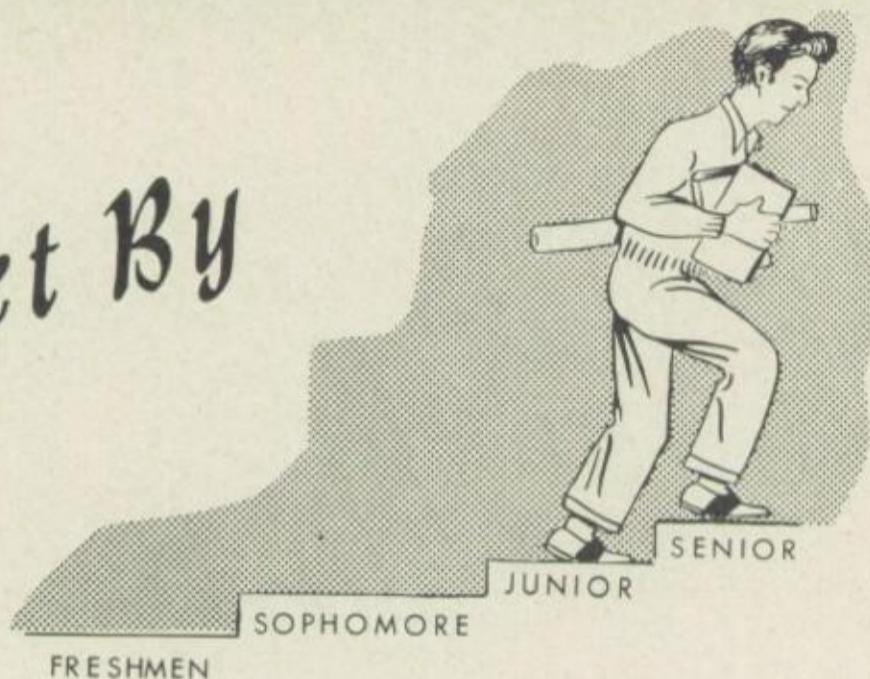
Secretary of the Senior Class, Cheerleader for three years, a delegate to the C.S.M.C., winner of a Crotty prize and May Queen in '52. "Rosie" is renowned for her enthusiasm and sparkling disposition.



TRADITIONS

Set By

Seniors



Senior Year Of 1955

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
C.S.M.C. Initiation Cheerleaders' Thus	Completion of the "Omnibus Omnia" Catholic Book Week Project Basketball Tournament	Vocation Month Project Participation in the Drama Festival High School Retreat	Senior Class Play
MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
Election of the May Queen Daily Rosary May Procession Junior-Senior Prom Class Outing Graduation Mass Graduation	Operation Youth	Red Cross Training Center	C.S.M.C. Initiation
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
School Mass Parents' Night Freshmen Initiation Class Election Student Council Appointments "Crusader"	Rosary Rally	Education Week Program Prayer for the Holy Souls	Reception of the Class Rings Advent Sacrifices Blessing of the "Advent Wreath"



Down Memory Lane

ROSEMARY YENCH - "It came from Outer space."

LARRY WITT - "Shake, Rattle and Roll"

DAN WINDLAND - "Up the Lazy River"

TOM WHITLATCH - "The Happy Wanderer"

DAN WHITE - "Who's high point man, Dan?"

JOANN SACCOME - "Thumblina"

BOB PILCHER - "P.C.H.'s own Rod Hundley"

SONNY PETERMAN - "Old McDonald Had a Farm"

PAT NELSON - "Lady in White"

PAUL MYERS - "Candy Kisses"

JOHN MORRIS - "I've Been Working on the Railroad"

PAT McGUIRK - "Business is dead"

CHRISTINA McGRAW - "Hypodermic, anybody?"

JIM McCARTHY - "Autographs in the back room, fans"

DON MARKEY - Chief tester of the Mattress Co.

JIM LYONS - "High and Mighty"

HAYNES HUDDLESTON - "Beautiful Brown Eyes"

SHIRLEY HARLESS - Miss Mayflower of '55"

CHARLES GRISSO - "The Old Master Painter"

JERRY GOEBEL - Leading the "Crusade"

MIKE GRIFFIN - The Shadow knows...

HELEN GRIFFIN - "Naughty Lady of Shady Lane"

ROSE ANN ELLEM - Somebody Goofed...

CAROL COMPTON - "C'est si bon"

PAT BYRN SIDE - "Pennies from Heaven"

CORNELIA BIRD - T-E-A-M yea Team!

PAT BELL - "Sonny Side of the Street"

FRED BANASIK - "Your Cheating Heart"

DON AYERSMAN - Hmmmm? ? ?

Underclassmen



The path which Underclassmen must follow through high school is that of a long hill winding ever upward. These future Seniors complete the picture of high school life and support the framework of school activity.

At the bottom of our hill, we stand before the first curve---THE FRESHMAN CLASS, who have proven to be a stimulus rather than a discouragement to fellow students. The next curve we encounter on the way to the top is THE SOPHOMORE CLASS. The optimistic approach with which they encounter and accomplish a job leaves a smile on everyone's face and a warmth of pride in each one's heart. Nearer the top of the hill stands the last curve of our climb---THE JUNIOR CLASS. In name only are these Juniors Underclassmen. Their flashes of light are felt throughout the entire student body. Defeat is a word unknown to them.

When these Underclassmen reach the top they will glance back at the path paved behind them and realize that it was over only too quickly. In every sorrow there is some joy. Their joy is found overcoming the strenuous path which now lies behind them. The self satisfaction they feel in having met their first goal urges them onward ready to meet other goals which lie before them.

Yes, Underclassmen, look ahead. You are the promise of a bright future. You are the leaders of tomorrow.

Juniors



Jack
Barrett



Robert
Fochler



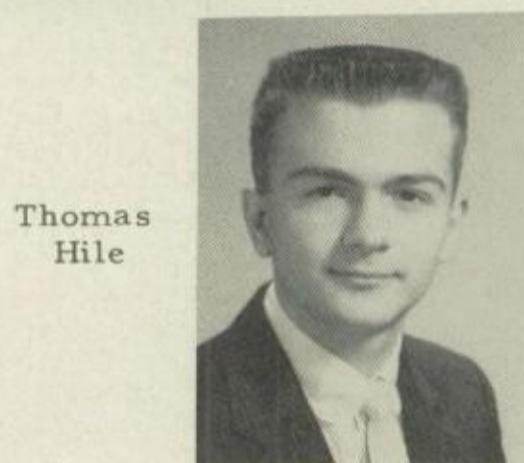
Betty
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Carie Ruth
Garrity



Robert
Brossman



Thomas
Hile



James
Deem



William
Hile



Gail
Huddleston



Arthur
Huston



James
Hutton



Margaret
Matthews



Frank
Meo



*Art
"56"*

Juniors

Mary Morehead



Gene Nelson



Robert Morris



Jane O'Brien



Good Luck
Ike Chee

James McNamara



Bernard Potter

Kenneth Roberts

Michael Nedeff



Janet Russel



Doris Smith

Pio Tei

James Tucker

Dorothy Tuell

Sandra Weekley



"Din"

"Jim"
'56'

Sandy
'56'

Sophomores



Carolyn
Albright



David
Creel



Patrick
Beaty



Michael
Dawkins



John
Bosley



James
Brock

Janet
Earl



Weller
Eaton



Beverly
Hickel



Nancy
Jones



James
Kern



*Lots of Luck
Jim*
Patsy
Kesterson



Sophomores

Charles
Liotti



Zella
Nelson



Mike
McHenry



Virginia
Oakes



Cecilia
Nedeff



Jerry
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Michael
Santer

To a swell girl -
Mike

Sally
Shipman



Marsha
Solomon



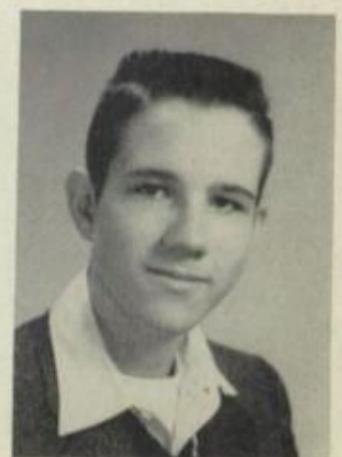
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Good luck
next year
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Barnes



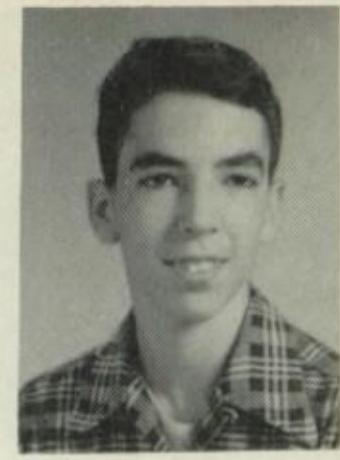
Joseph
Bennett



Richard
Bird



Carolyn Sue
Blankenship



Thomas
Brock

Freshmen

*Good luck
Carma
Lone
Lois Anne*

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Best wishes
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"Fess"



Michael
McCarthy



John
Norris



John
Parker



Robert
Rebhan



William
Russel



Patricia
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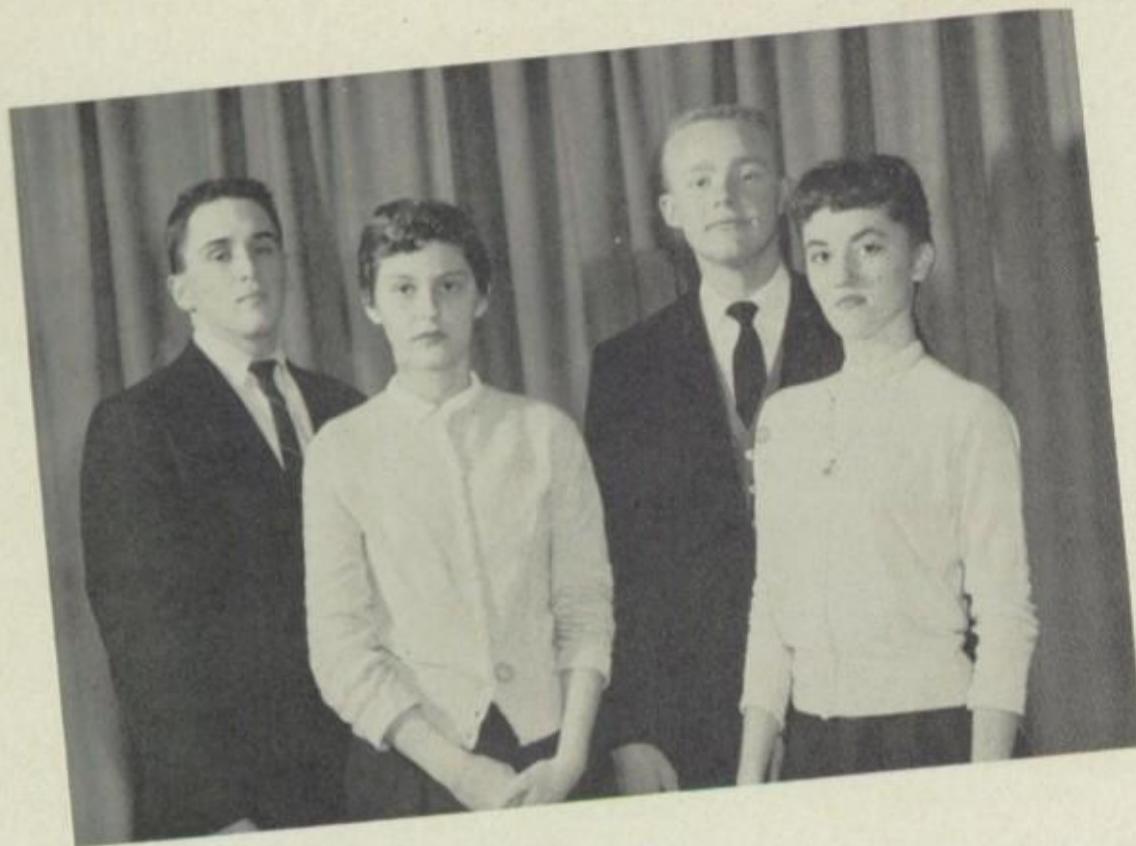
Richard
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Underclass Officers Of 1955



Junior Class Officers

Left to Right:
Pio Tei, President
Gail Huddleston, Secretary
Arthur Huston, Vice-President
Carie Ruth Garrity, Treasurer



Sophomore Class Officers

Left to Right:
James Kern, President
Sally Shipman, Vice-President
Mike Santer, Treasurer
Zella Nelson, Secretary

Freshman Class Officers

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Robert Rebhan, President
Barbara Kaltnecker, Secretary
Thomas Santer, Vice President
Erma Mae Fleming, Sgt.-at-Arms
Michael Simay, Treasurer





Junior Frank Meo, Sophomore Weller Eaton and Freshman Richard Bird gaze admiringly at Larry Witt's Senior Ring.

Academic ...



God created the individual and endowed him with educational powers with which to perfect himself. Education not only serves to make an illiterate literate but also to perfect every phase of his life---intellectual, social, moral and physical. P. C. H. S. also includes in its curriculum the teachings of Christ so that its students may know the best that has been said and taught in the world. With an eye to the future our beloved teachers have striven not only to acquaint us with the Arts and Sciences but help us develop specific skills in these fields. The wise man will tell you that the individual can only fully realize the enormity and importance of his education and training after he stands on the threshold of achievement.

We, the First Graduates, with God on our side and determination in our hearts, shall be in our own personal ways the leaders of tomorrow.

Student Council



Jack Hattman; Sally Shipman; Erma Fleming; Pat Beaty; Jim Lyons, Vice-President; Don Ayersman, President; Cornelia Bird, Secretary; Danny White; Jim Deem; Mary Moorehead.

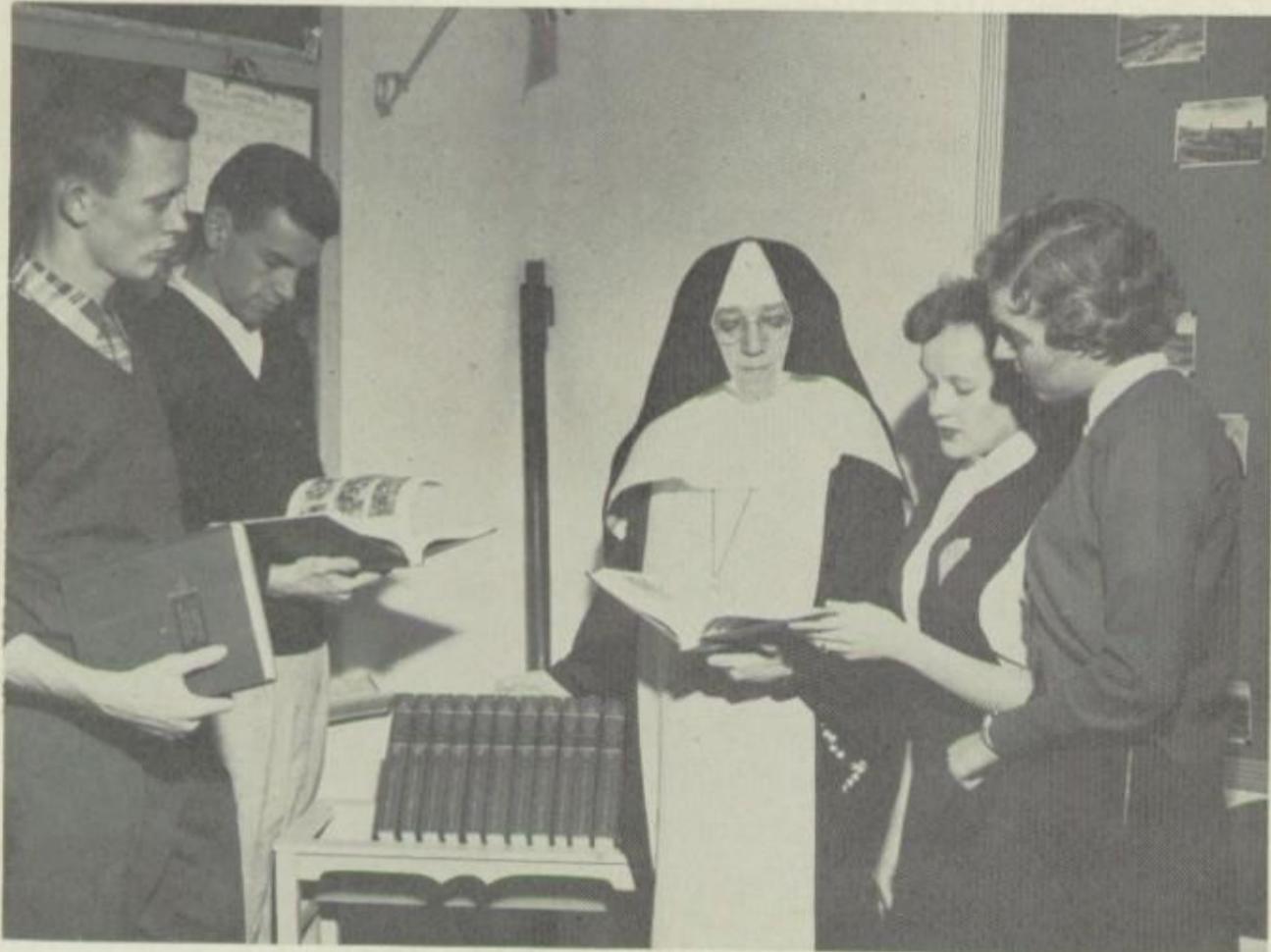
Purposes of the Student Council of Parkersburg Catholic High School:

1. The development of the power of self government in each student by teaching him the responsibilities and duties he has to lawful authority, his fellow students, the Church and State.
2. Chief duty is to set before the students the ideals of good Christian citizenship and not only in words but chiefly in deeds.

Objectives

1. To develop good citizenship, high ideals and Christian virtues among the students.
2. To help promote all worthy scholastic, religious, and social activities of the school.

English



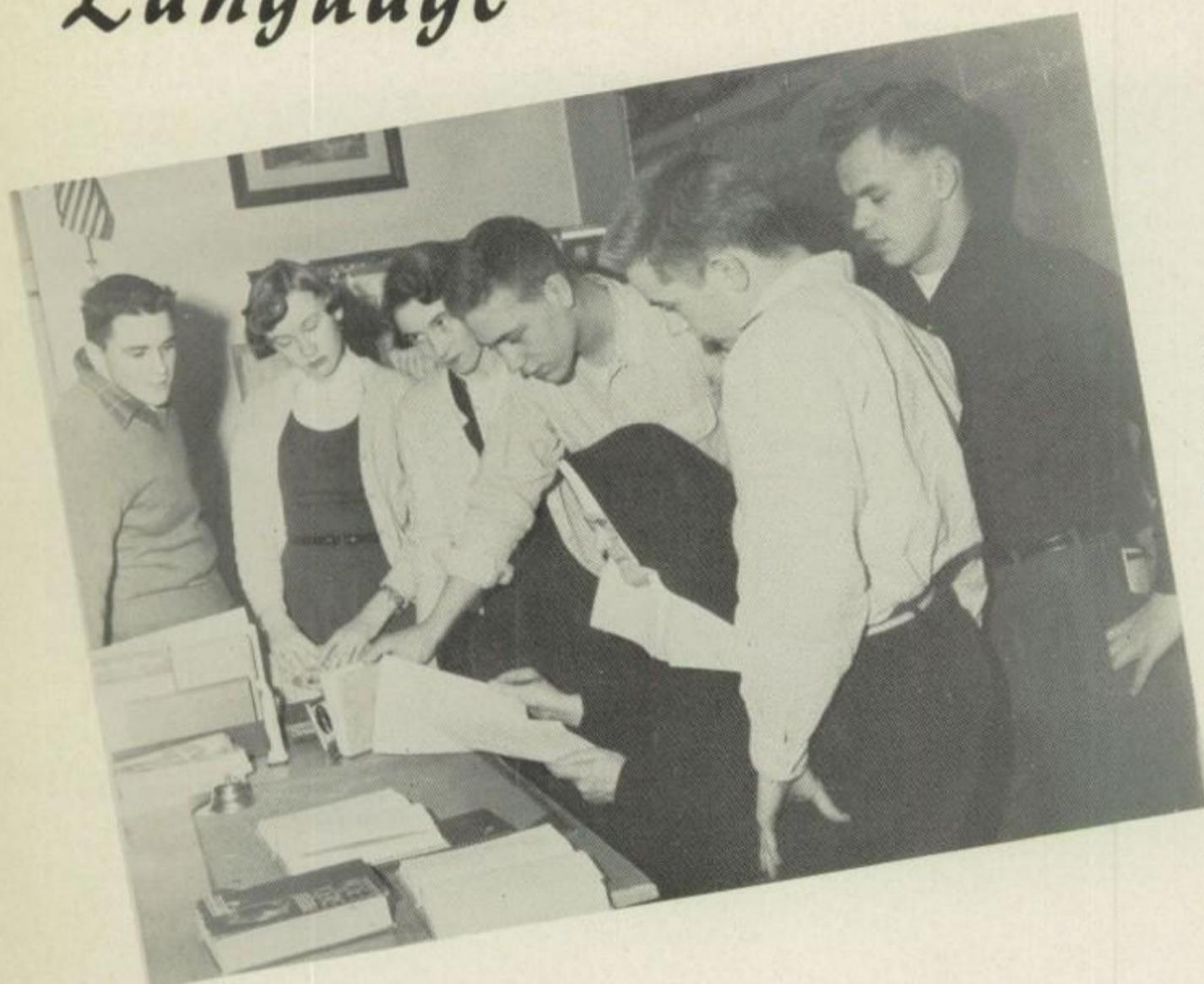
Sister Mary Henrica points out the importance of research work in English assignments to Seniors Larry Witt, Pat McGuirk, Shirley Harless and Helen Jane Griffin.

History

Juniors Doris Smith, Gail Huddleston, Jim McNamara and Jack Barrett discuss American History with Sister Augusta Maria.

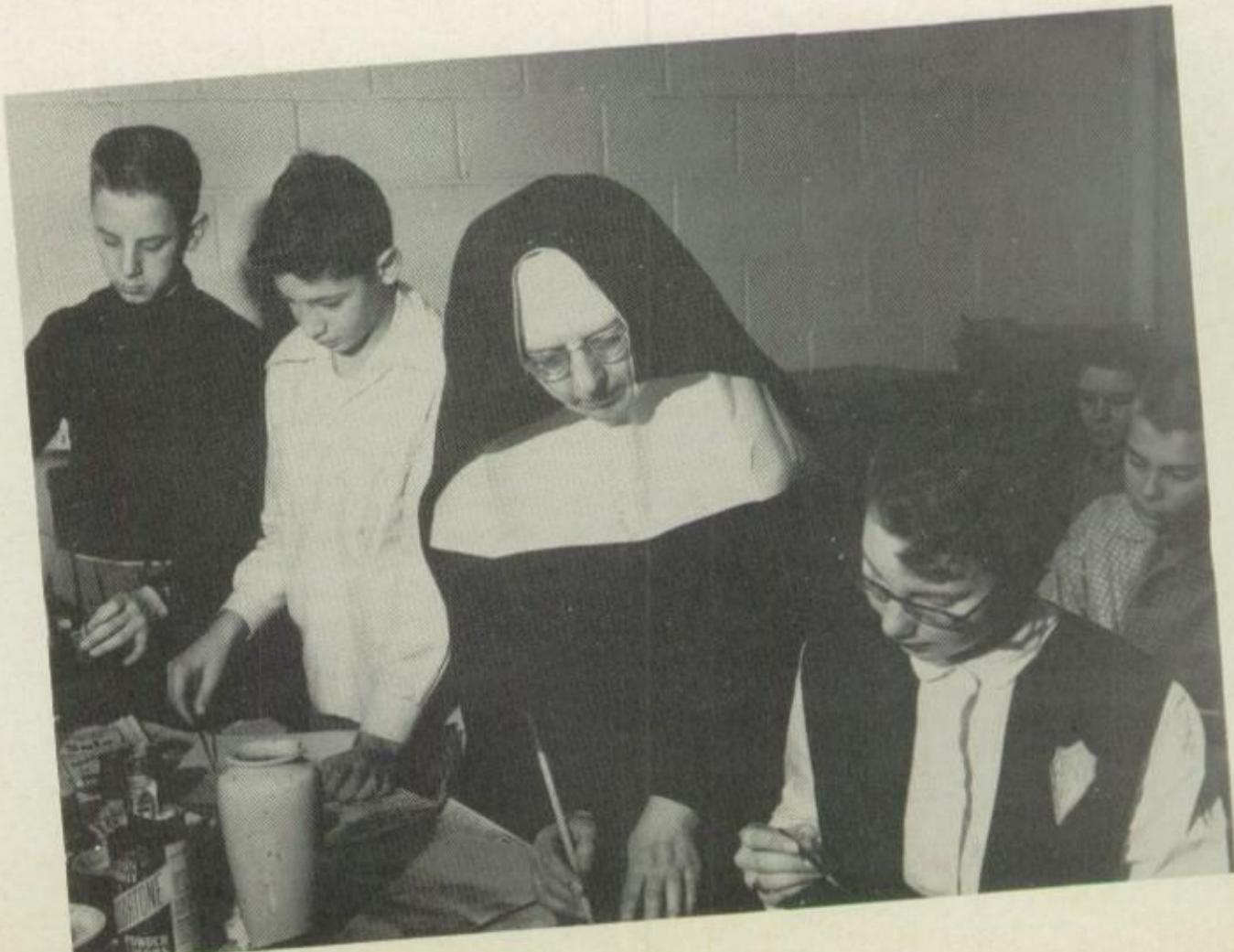


Language



Sister Mary Alfreda and her French Class review the essentials of French grammar. Sister is also a master of five languages.

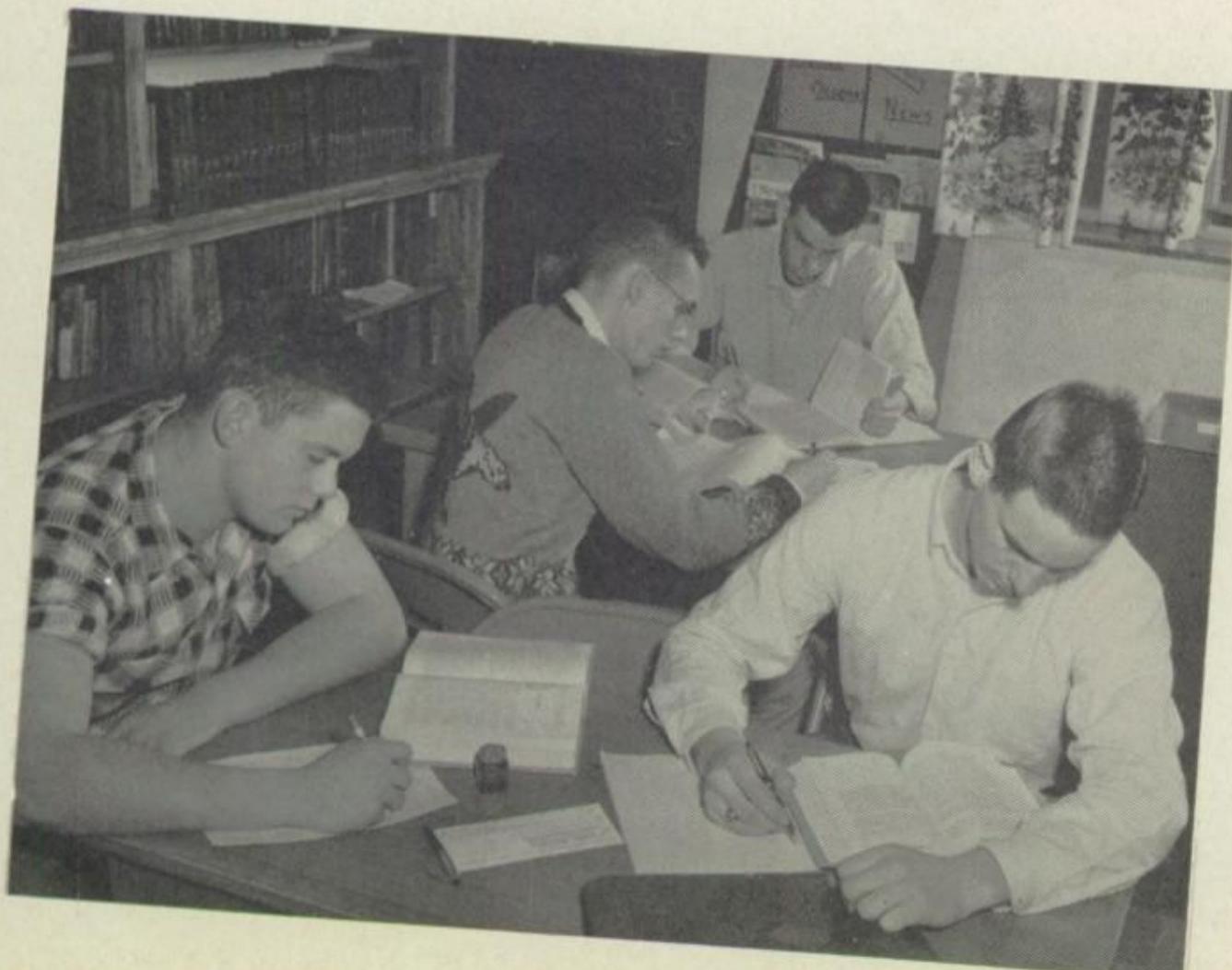
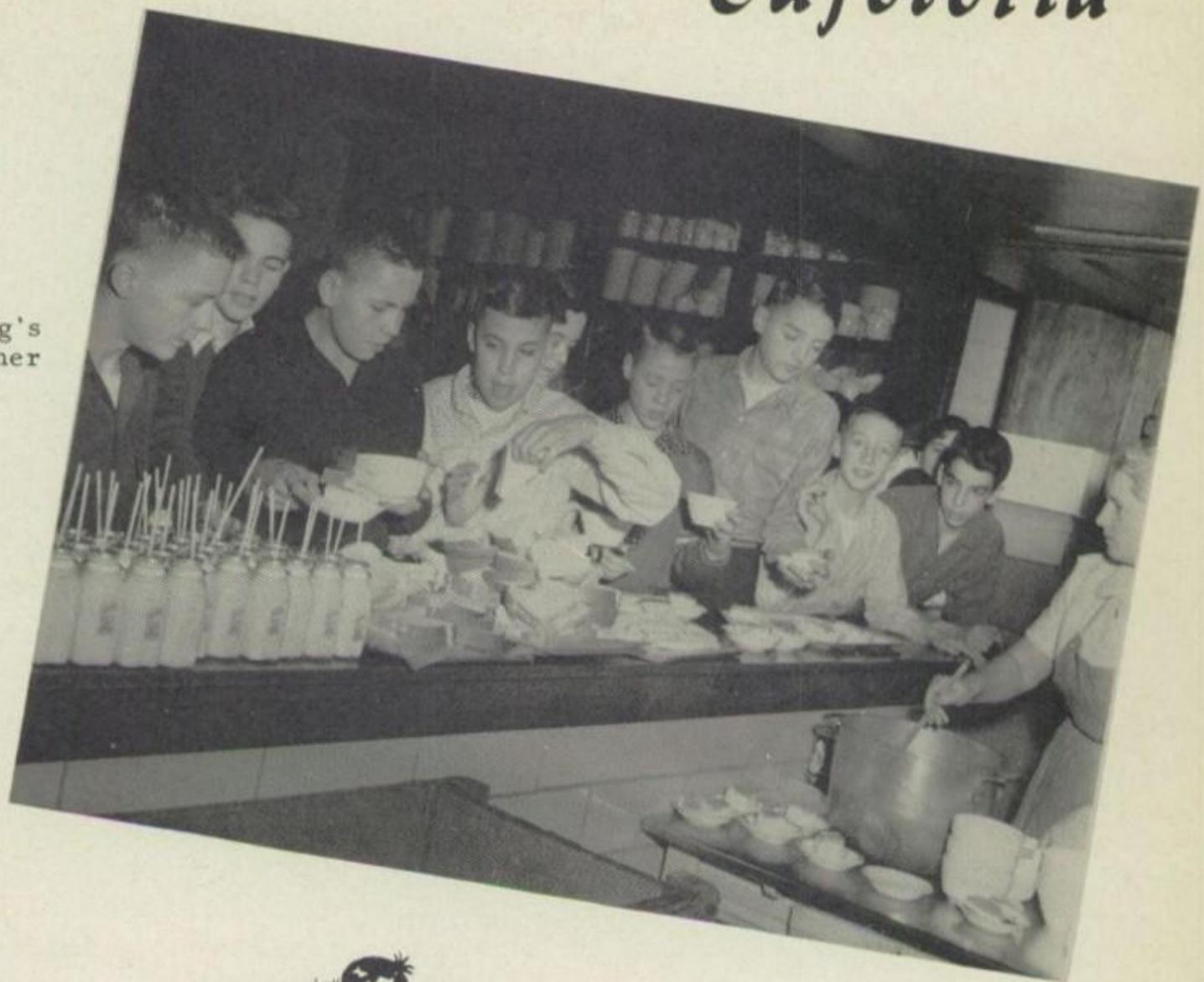
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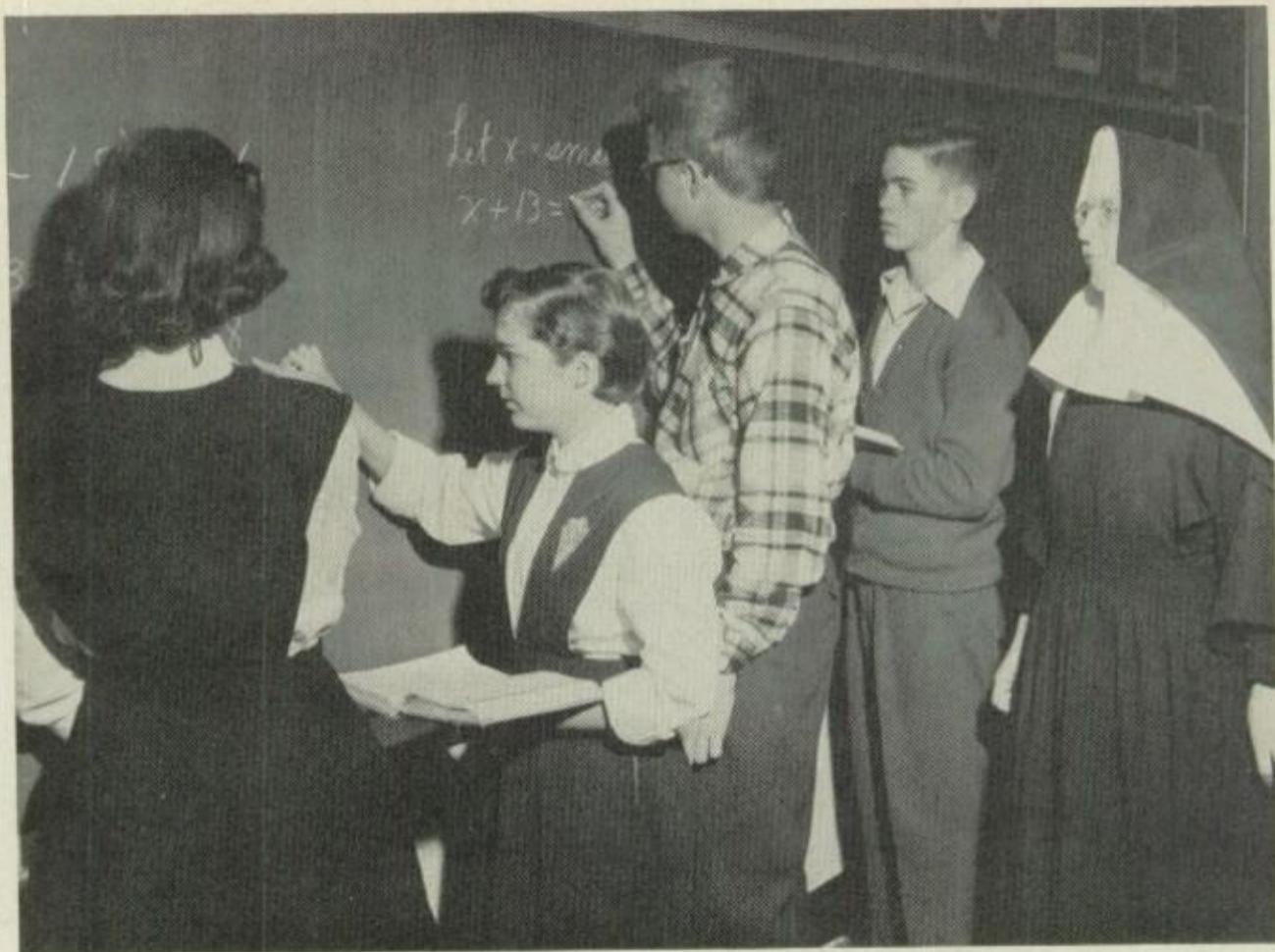
Sister Frances Teresa points out important art techniques to Freshmen Richard Bird, John Parker and Yvonne Lamb.

Cafeteria

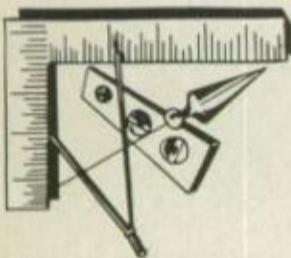
After a hard morning's work students gather eagerly for lunch.



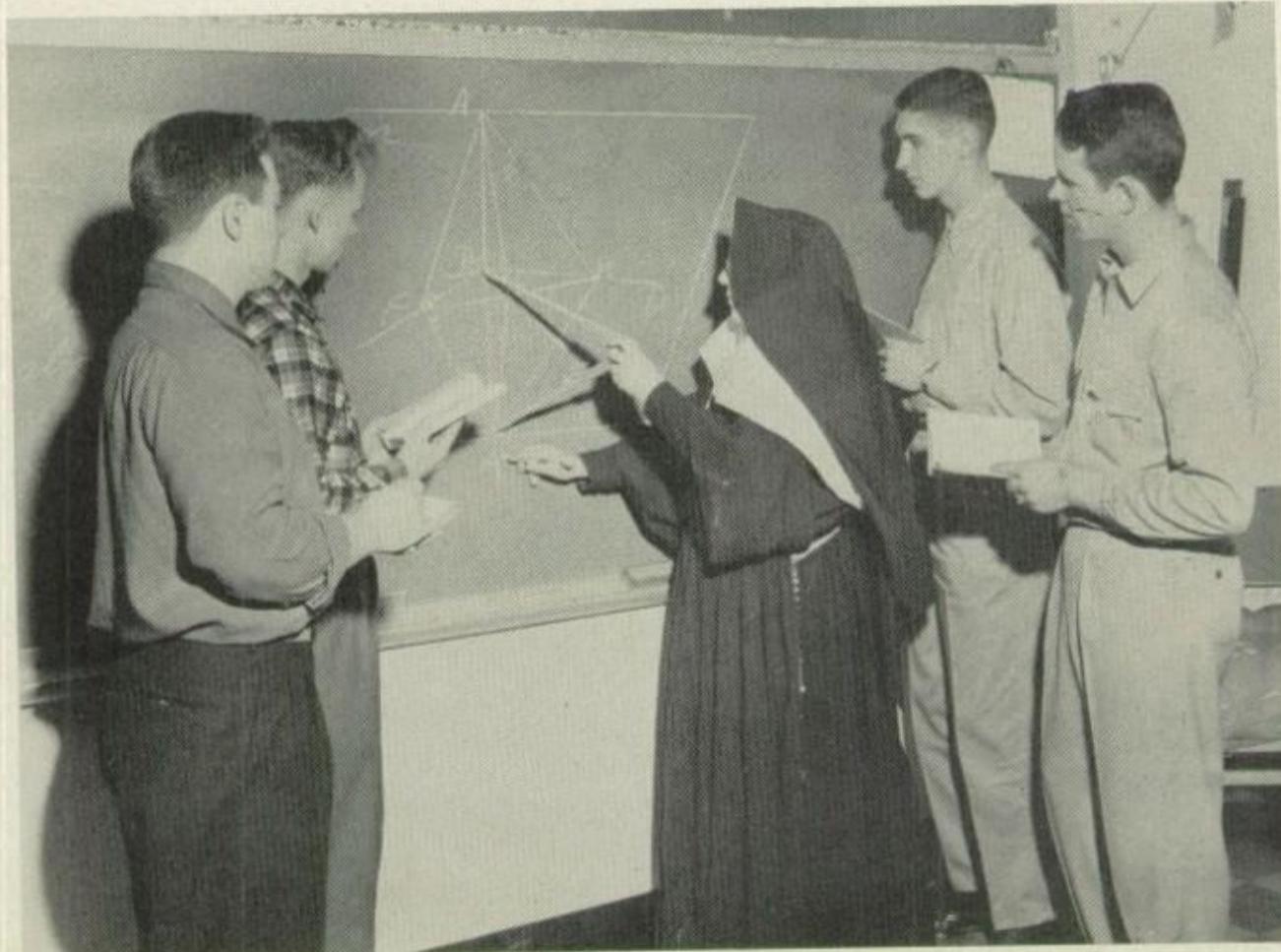
Students busily prepare for their afternoon classes.



Sister Frances Teresa instructs Freshmen from the known to the unknown. Completion of these problems are both a challenge and a satisfaction.



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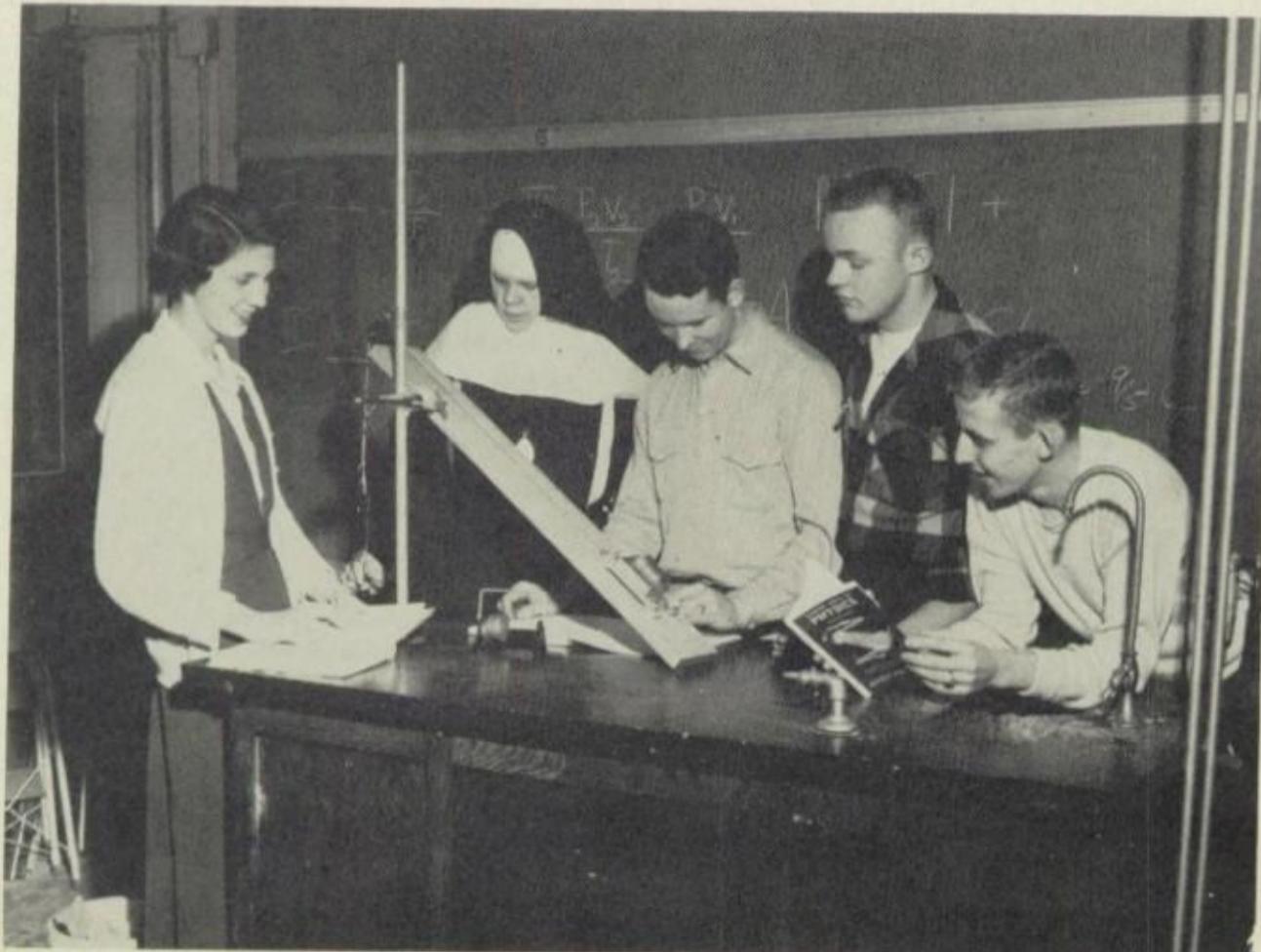
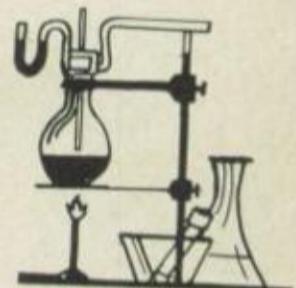


Senior Jim McCarthy, Paul Myers, Haynes Huddleston and Sonny Peterman involved in the intricacies of Solid Geometry with Sister Mary Innocentia.



High student interest is shown in the lab as these students, under the supervision of Sister Clara Devota, perform a biological experiment.

Science



Sister Anna Veronica instructs Seniors Rosemary Yencha, Kenneth Peterman and Juniors Art Huston and Jim Tucker in a Physics experiment.

Commercial

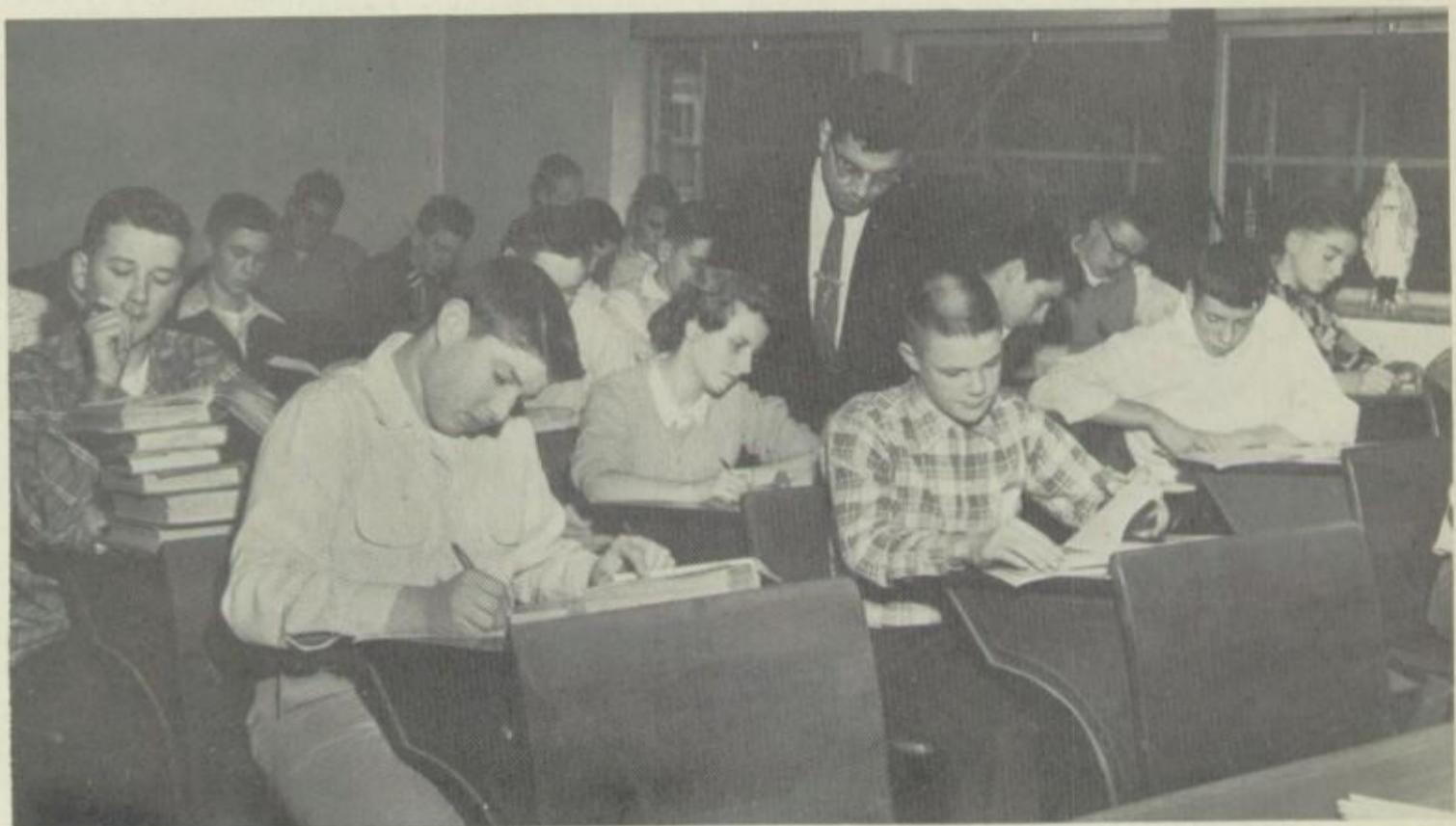


Future business men and women type with rhythm under the direction of Sister Mary Innocentia.

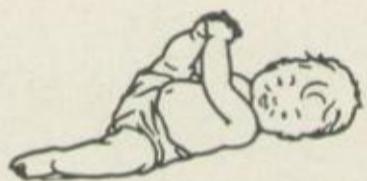


Sister Mary Innocentia dictates a test to her shorthand students.

Study



Mr. Michael Nedeff supervises study hall for hard working Underclassmen.



Sister Clara Devota demonstrates to her Home Nursing Class how to administer first aid to student patient Cornelia Bird.



Between classes students relax in the quiet atmosphere of the well stocked library.

Time Out!!



After classes students group together in the lounge to converse on the day's happenings.

Activities

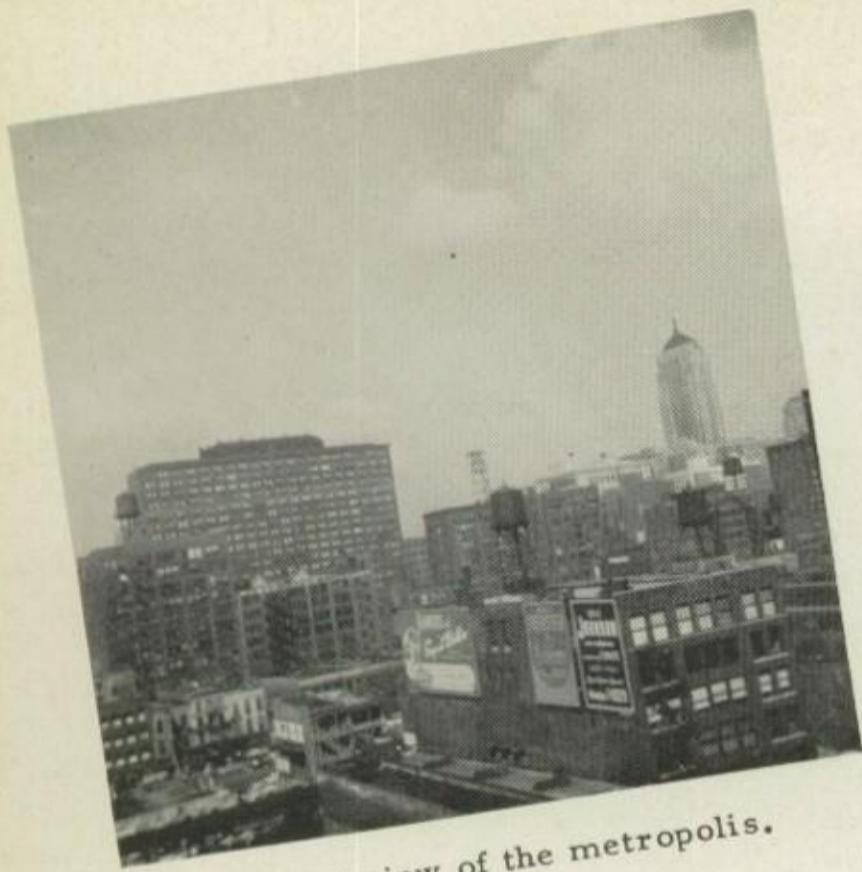


"A little to the right, got it."

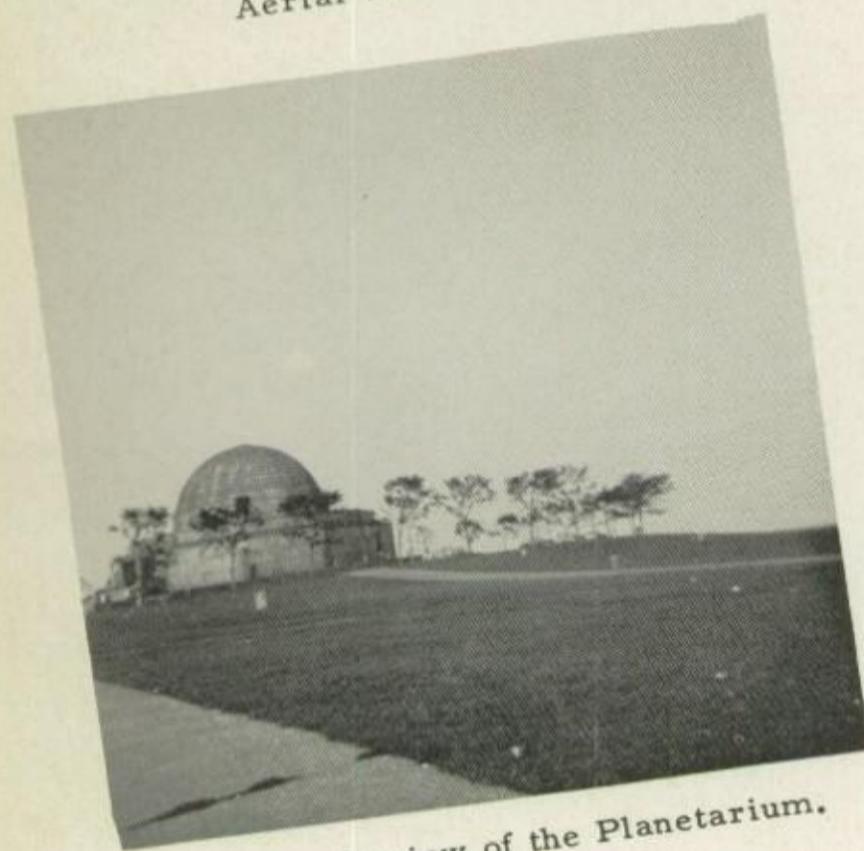
This is the reply of Don Markey as he catches glimpses of our activities with his camera. In his collection of snapshots pictured on the following pages you will see how the students of P. C. H. S. spend their leisure hours.

Plays, Clubs, Omnibus Omnia, Crusader, the Drama Festival and other constructive projects provide the needed entertainment and relaxation as well as student co-operation and harmony.

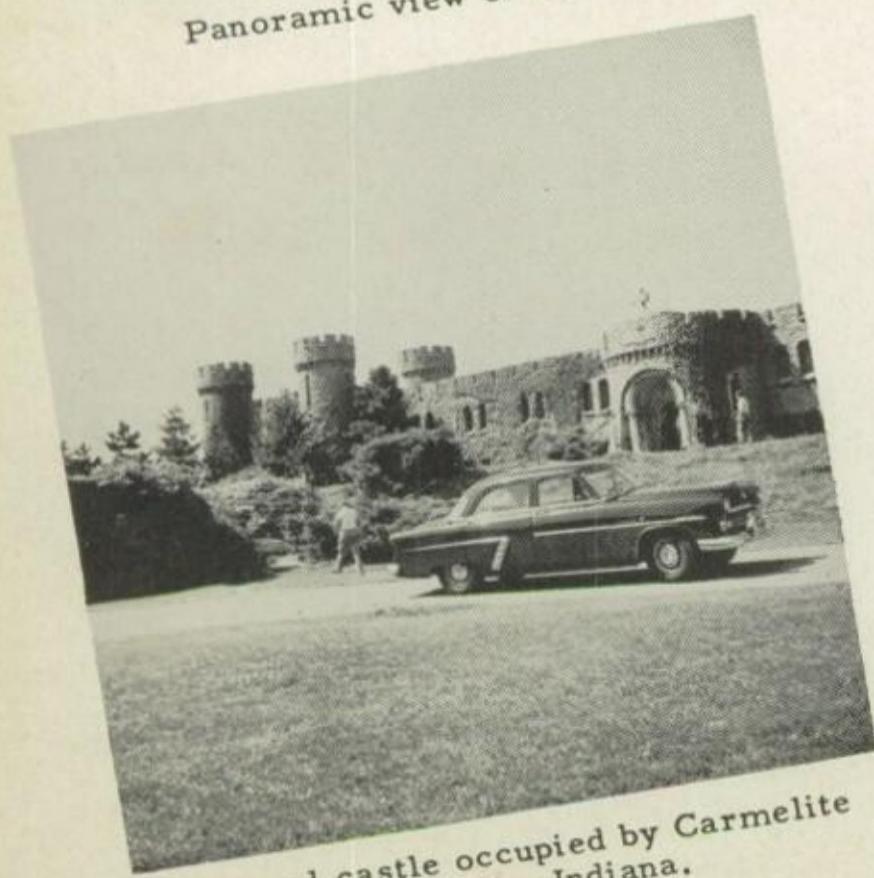
Long hours and hard work go into the making of successful projects. But as we look back the work was really a pleasure and the long hours were not very long after all.



Aerial view of the metropolis.



Panoramic view of the Planetarium.



Medieval castle occupied by Carmelite
Nuns at Indianapolis, Indiana.



Mike, Bob, Jim relax after a brisk swim.



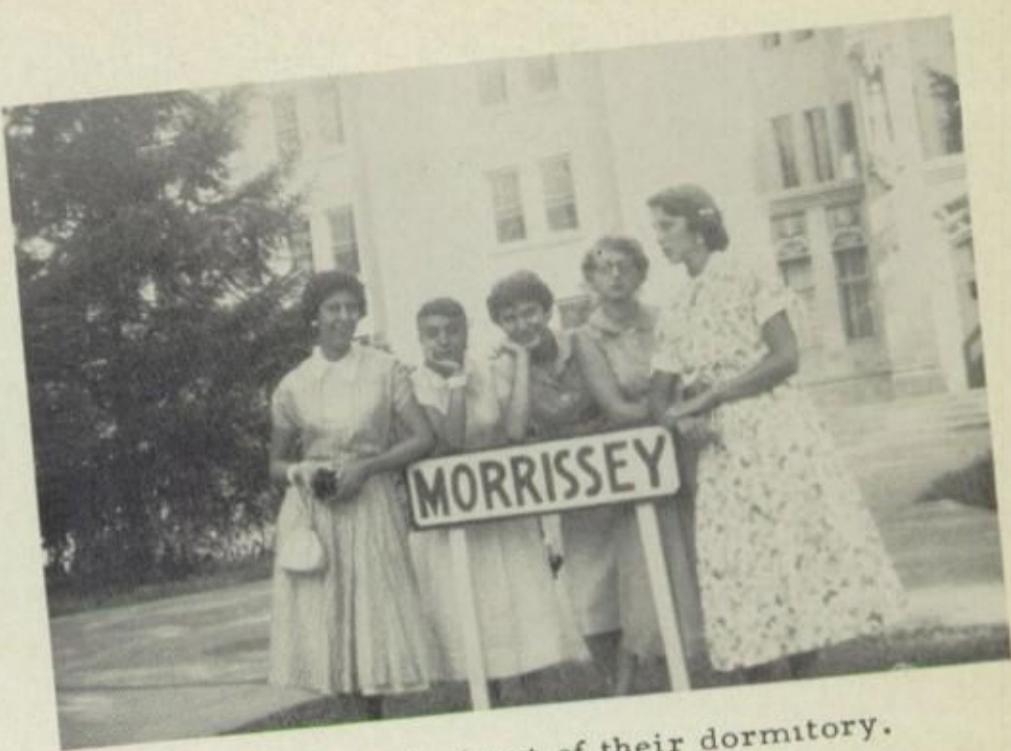
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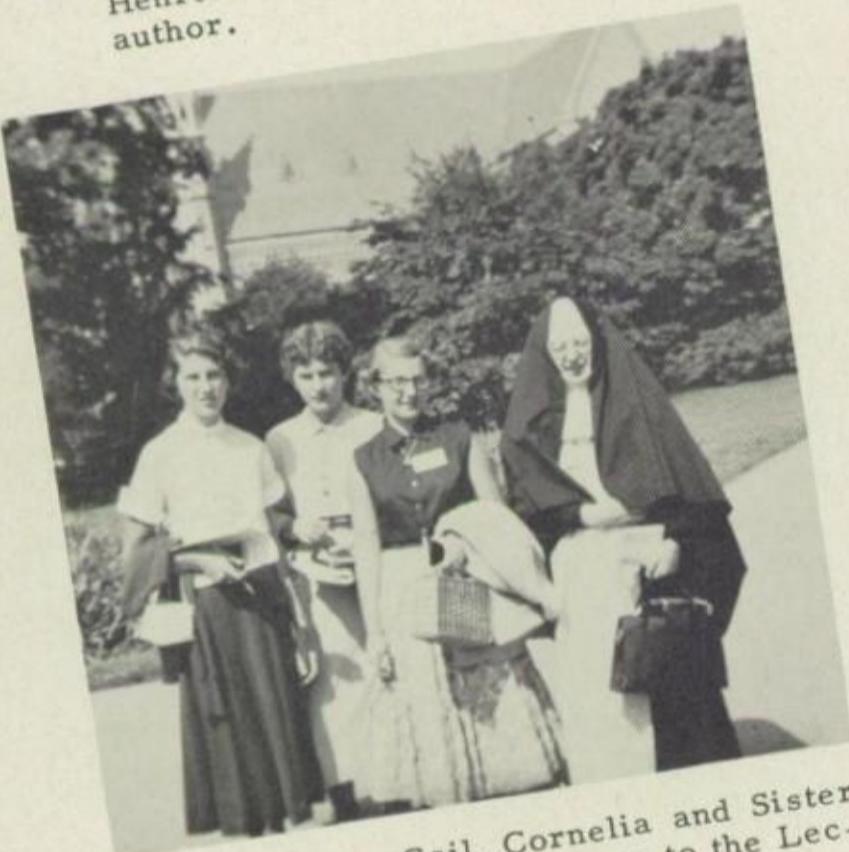
Sister Frances Teresa and Sister Mary Henrica pose with Brother Ernest, noted author.



Girls pose in front of their dormitory.

Big Trip

To N.D.



Rosemary, Gail, Cornelia and Sister Frances Teresa on the way to the Lecture Hall.



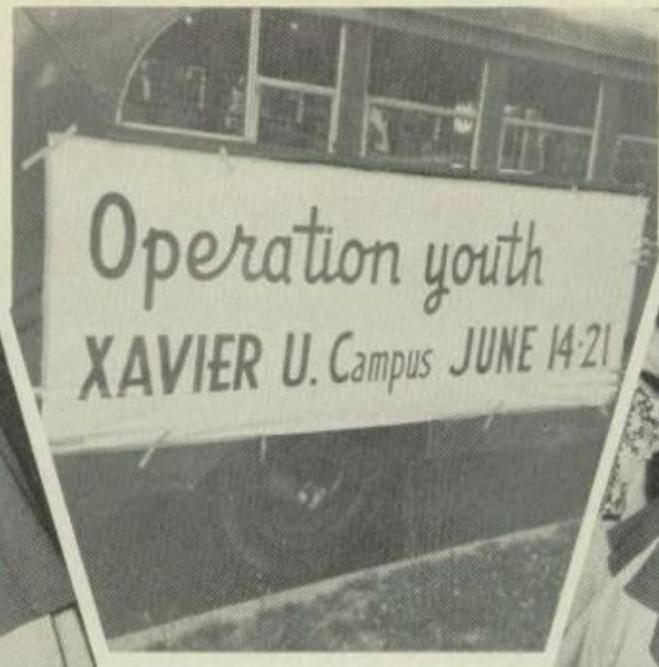
Pat and Rosemary sit in the middle of Notre Dame Stadium.



Sophomore Marsha Solomon stands in front of the Library.



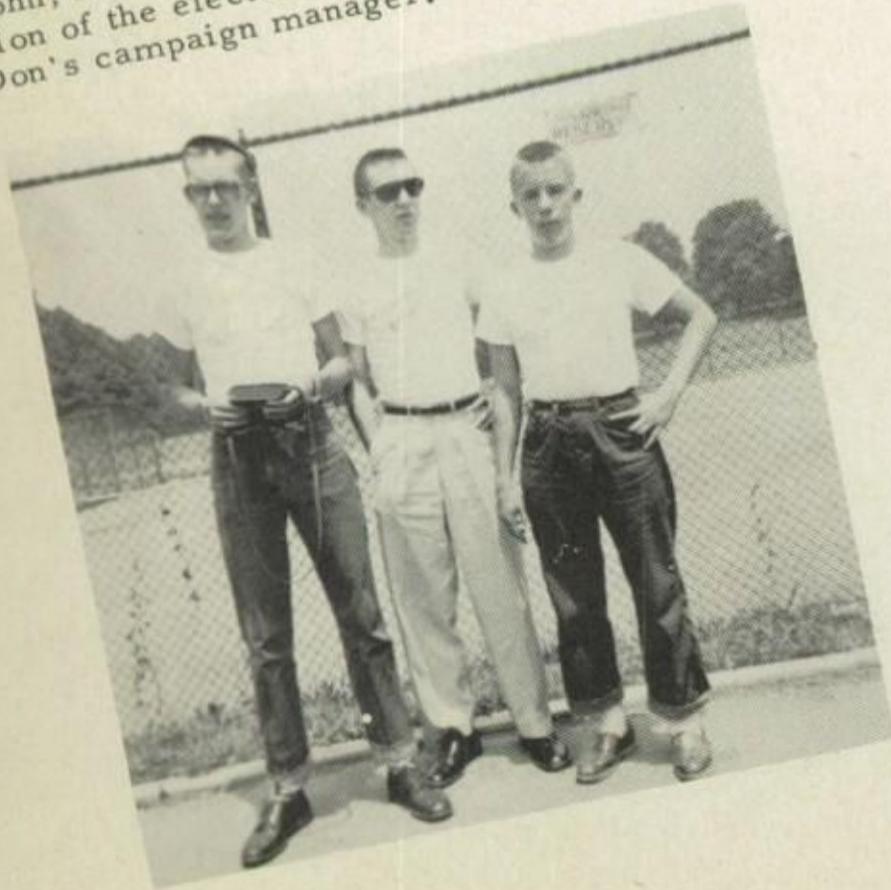
Don is awarded the gavel for being elected Mayor of O. Y.



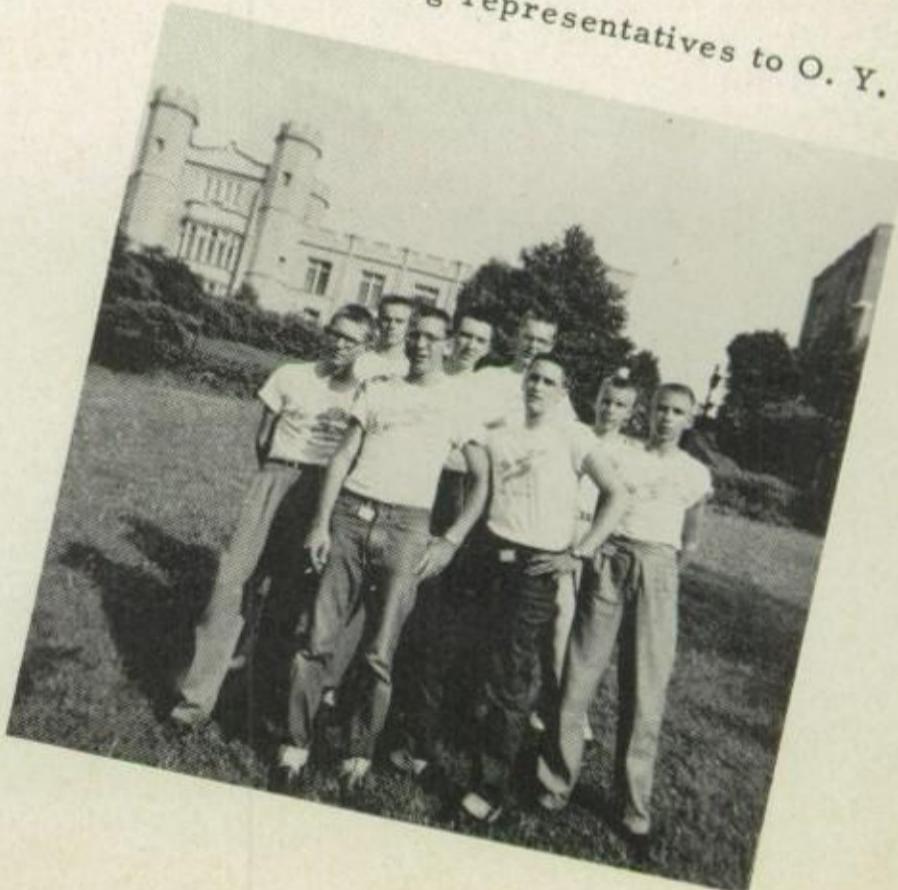
After strenuous campaign Mayor Don Ayersman pauses for refreshment.



John, Don and Jerry during an intermission of the election for mayor. Jerry was Don's campaign manager.



Parkersburg representatives to O. Y.



Red



Cross

Senior Patricia Bell going to afternoon class.



Senior Rosemary Yencha poses with delegates from various eastern states.



Red Cross Training Center, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Rosemary relaxes by the lake on the University campus.



Freshmen



Senior Fred Banasik finds dusting off a Freshman more interesting than dusting blackboards.



Freshman Richard Bird finds pushing pennies with nose hard, especially when it's uphill. A cold hearted crowd looks on.

Initiation



The FRESHMEN all appear as a mass of confusion. Some look helpless, some look happy and some look "nuts."



But it's soon over and the spirit of brotherly love prevails. Mr. Witt isn't really going to splatter that cupcake; or is he ???

The All



Myrna West, Freshman talent, highlights the
"All Star Revue."



"Let's All Go on a Hayride" with Sally Shipman, Patsy Kesterson, Virginia Oaks
and Cecelia Nedeff.

K Revue



"The Three Cats," McNamara, Tei and Lyons, "jazz" up the "All Star Revue."



The spectacular finale of the "All Star Revue."



Catholic Book Week

During the olden days when P. C. H. S. was known as St. Francis Xavier a National Book Week was held. This special week was observed by our students in order to further good literature in the community and combat the now radical trends of writing. The students of P. C. H. did their part in the crusade by organizing this display in the Union Trust Building where it would attract the attention of all.



During the Education Week program, Freshmen and Sophomore students exhibit grace and beauty in the "Rose Dance."



Under the direction of Sister Mary Alfreda, the Glee Club renders one of its Education Week selections.

Marcus holds an audience in Caesar's Court.



The Master's

CAST

Marcus	J. Lyons
Mercia	R. Yencha
Berenice	R. Ellem
Stephanus	M. Santer
Tigellinus	J. Morris
Favius	R. Fochler
Titus	F. Banasik
Glabrio	P. Tei
Licinius	R. Huddleston
Viturius	D. Ayersman
Tramp	C. Liotti
Tramp	J. Ruppel
Servilius	J. Deem
Strabo	J. Barrett
Nero	J. Goebel
Poppea	C. Bird



Mercia begs Marcus to spare her father's life.

Tigellinus and his conspirators plot the downfall of Marcus.



Badge



The Christians pray secretly in the grove.

The Omnibus Omnia



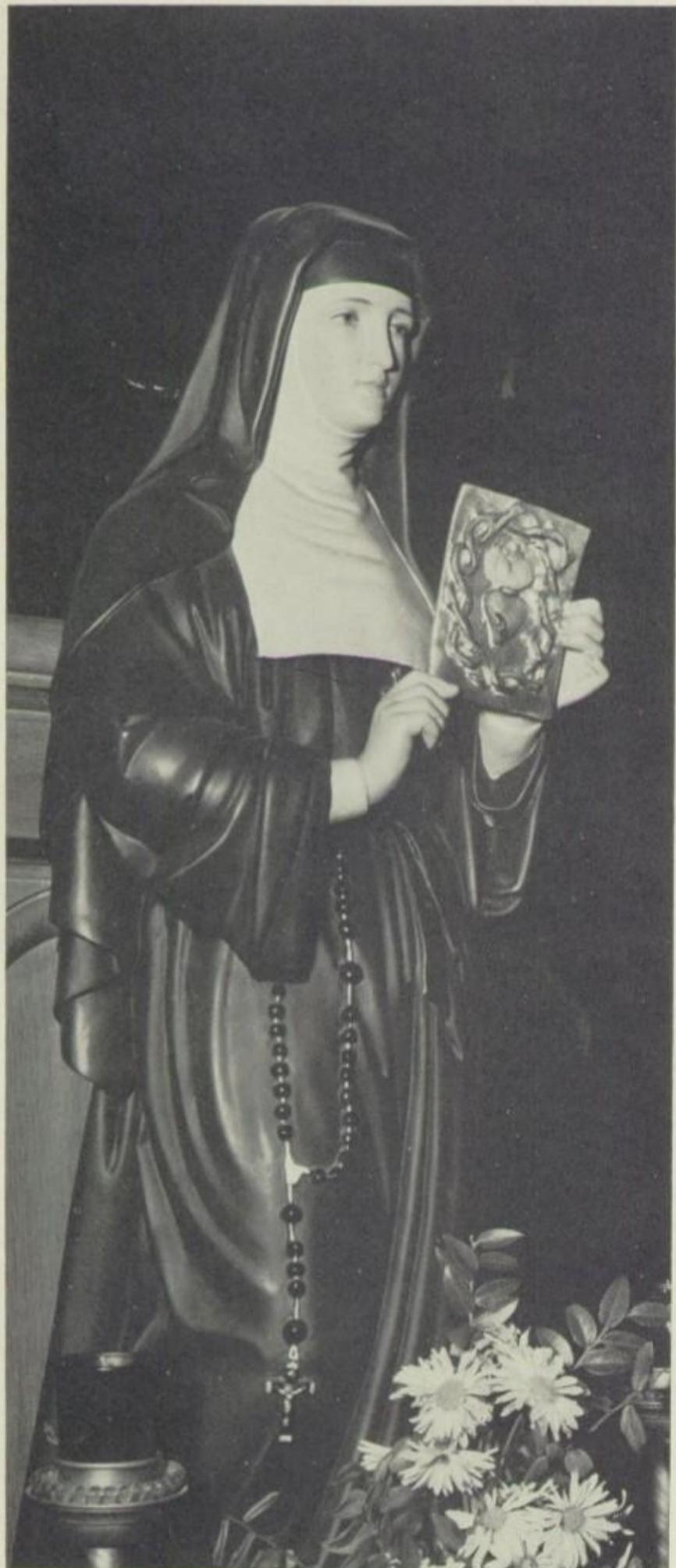
Pat Bell, Sister Mary Henrica and Cornelia Bird select photographs while Co-Editor Rose Ann Ellem, Editor Jim Lyons and Rosemary Yencha prepare layout sheet.

The Crusader



Crusader staff discusses last issue. Seated at desk: Co-Editor John Morris and Editor Jerry Goebel. Others are Pat Bell, Jim Hutton, Virginia Oakes, Jack Hattman, Jim Lyons and Erma Rusignola.

Social



In the preceding pages we have shown our students with their heads to the grindstone--Bob's worried about the next Physics test, Carol's writing an English composition and Father Werner is introducing another Encyclical. These are all typical scenes in our busy little beehive. In our curriculum is included the all important social events that keep our busy little bees from becoming bored and dull. An intermixing of social functions in our school keeps our students alert, helps them develop good personality traits, and gives them a sense of light heartedness with which to tackle the many obstacles of life and gives its students a cheerful outlook on life.

The Pilgrim Prom



Senior Rosemary Yencha turns in time to get her picture taken but her dancing partner must be under the spell of her or the music. Probably the music!



Jerry Fochler with his date Carolyn Barnes are quite happy while Marsha Solomon and Bob Fochler seem to be in ecstasy.



Scenes From The



Sock Hop





Seniors Rose Ann Ellem, Rosemary Yencha, Pat Bell and Cornelia Bird gather at Kresges to look over lessons and eat a hurried breakfast after school Mass.



This is a typical scene found in many of our students' homes. They know the value and necessity of clean, wholesome recreation.



Now, boys, that Trigonometry book isn't that interesting, is it???





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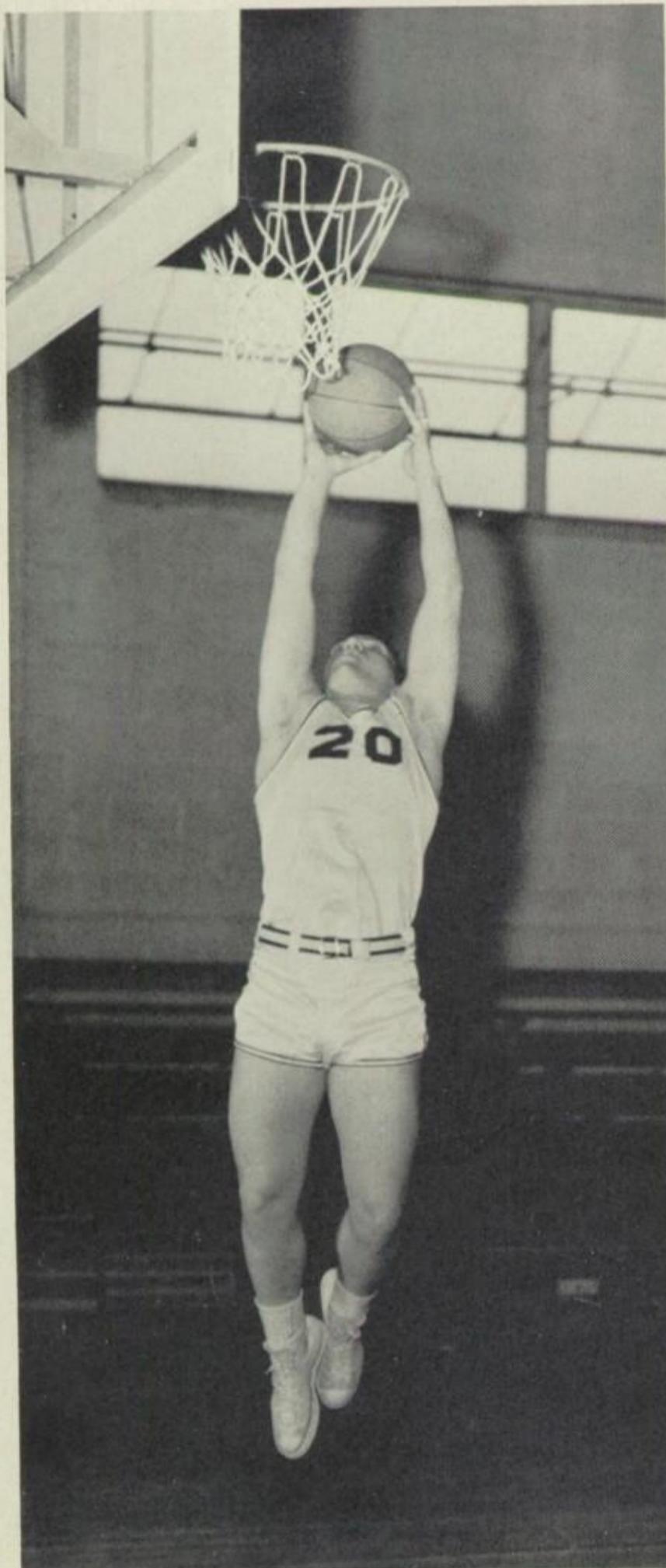


Seniors Fred Banasik and Helen Jane Griffin wear their Senior Rings with great pride.



Sisters Mary Henrica and Frances Teresa go for a joy ride with Charles Grisso at the oars.

Sports



Good sports build better bodies.

Good sportsmanship builds better men. P. C. H. S. realizes the importance of physical education for it offers students competition, teamwork, enthusiasm and initiative.

Under the careful guidance of Coach Michael Nedeff our Crusaders have been taught that in any athletic contest, winning is important but more important is learning to show good sportsmanship.

P. C. H. S. shall not only turn out champions in their chosen sport but also champions in life--champions who shall carry their sportsmanship and fair play with them forever.

Crusaders Topple Coolville, 67-51

The Parkersburg Crusaders returned to the victory trail here tonight with a hard fought 67-51 victory over the Carthage-Troy Trojans of Coolville. The win was the Crusaders sixth in 16 outings.

Big Bob Pilcher once again was the scoring star for the Crusaders with 23 points on nine fielders and five fouls. Mike Nedeff and Bob Ayersman followed closely behind Pilcher in the point - producing with 15 and 13-markers each.

Coolville, showing surprising strength after Friday's loss to the Little Reds, broke fast and stayed on top during most of the first period. At the one - quarter mark the Trojans held a 19-18 lead.

But in the second period the Crusaders forged into a lead they never relinquished with 19 point assault and 37-28 bulge at halftime. Pilcher and Nedeff led the attack that gave Parkersburg the win.

The third period was slow in comparison to the first two as Coolville outscored the locals 11 - 10 to cut the gap to 47-39. But the Crusaders turned loose a 19-point assault in the final eight minutes and won going away.

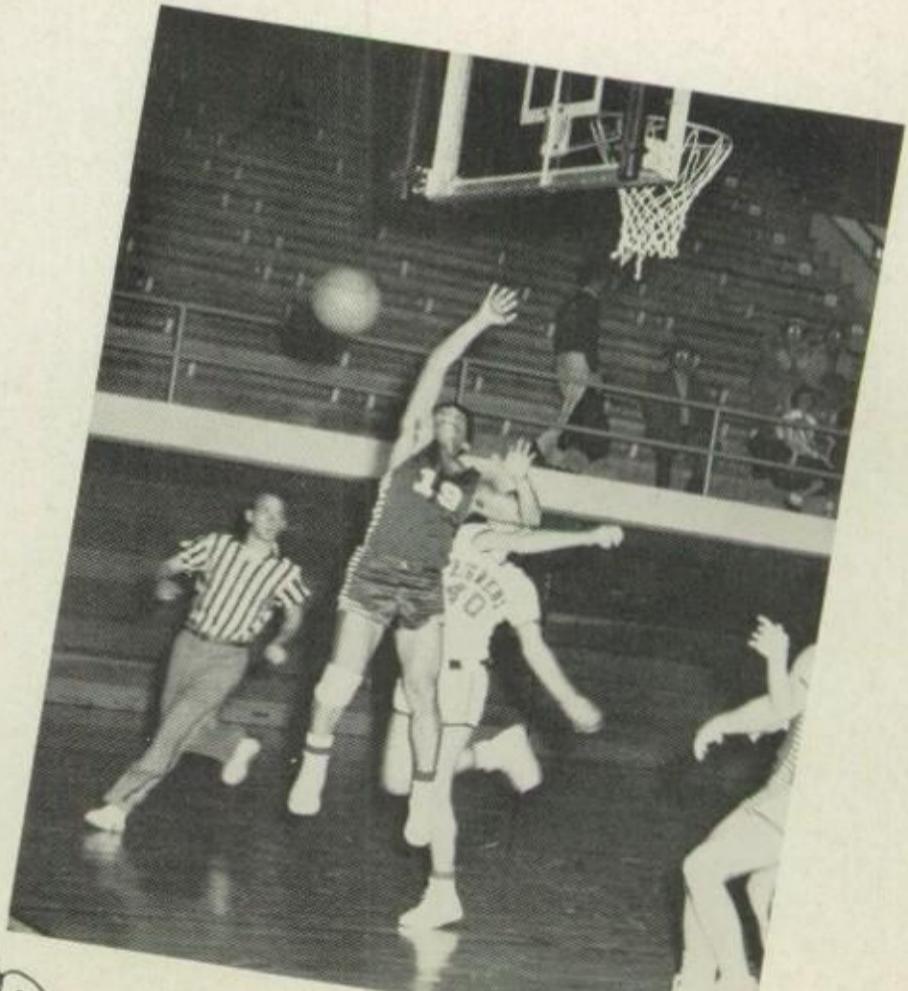
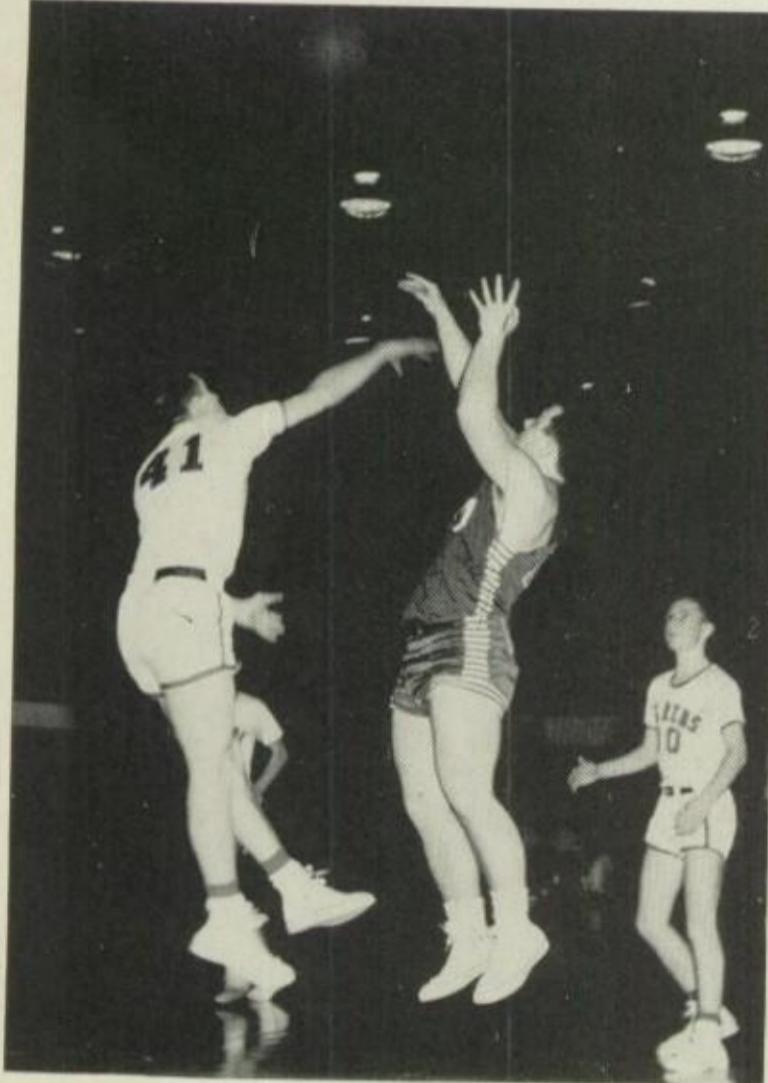
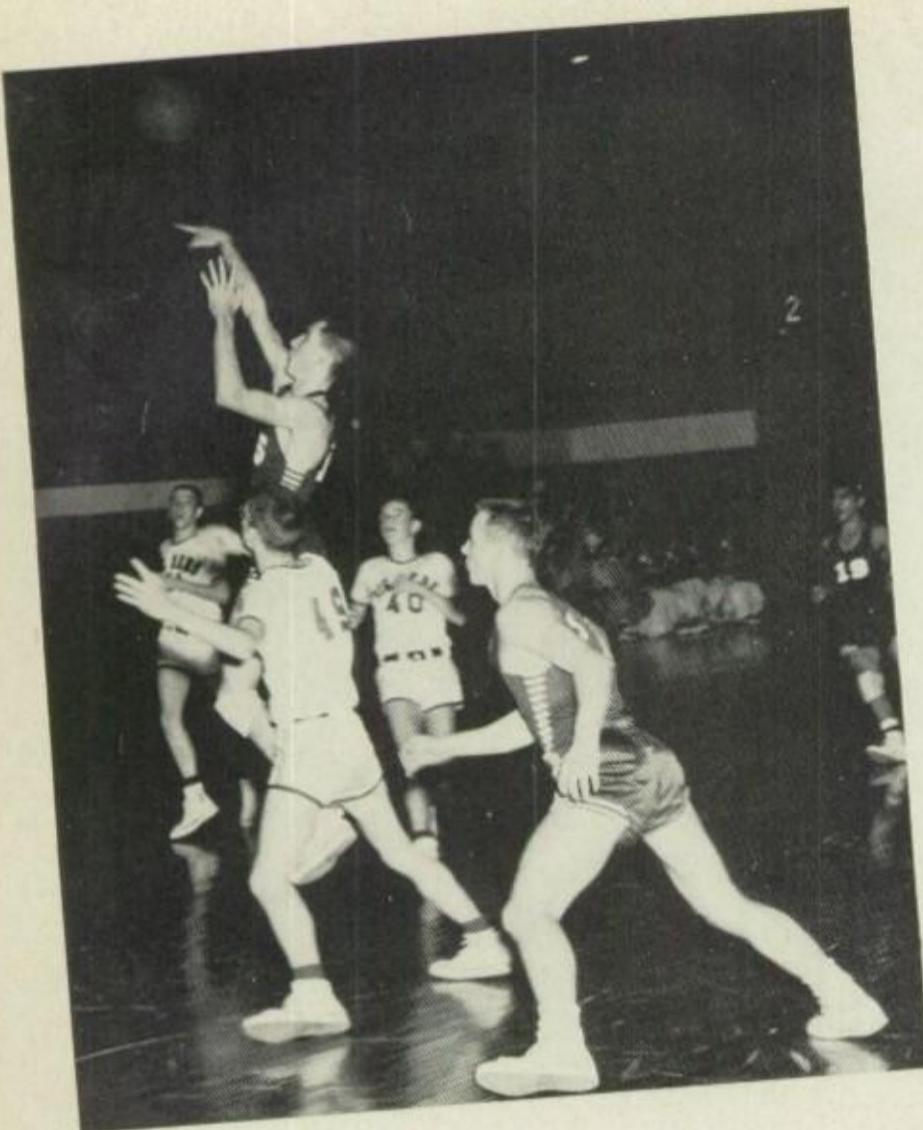
Ray Hapney and Charlie Taylor led the Trojan attack with 17 points each, while Kenny Cowdery had 10 points.

Tuesday night the Parkersburg Catholic quintet will play host to Harrisville at the Juliana St. gym. Game time is 8 o'clock.

Pksbg	C	G.	F.	T.	Coolville	G.	F.	T.
Ayersman	f	6	0	12	Hapney,f	5	2	17
Pilcher,f	9	5	23	Griffn,f	0	0	0	
Barrett,c	1	0	2	Taylor,c	3	1	47	
Tucker,g	3	2	8	Null,g	0	0	0	
Nedeff,g	6	4	15	Cowdery,g	4	2	10	
McNamara	1	1	3	Russell	1	5	7	
Santer	1	1	3					
Peterman	1	0	2					
Totals				28 13 67	Totals			
Parkersburg Catholic				18 19 19 20	—	67		
Coolville				19	9	11	12	51

Officials: Bibbee, Wiley.

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Crusaders Cop 74-63 Win Over St. Patrick

Little Jimmy McCarthy and lanky Bob Pilcher combined to toss in 50 points yesterday afternoon as the Parkersburg Catholic Crusaders posted their fifth victory of the season, a 74-63 verdict over the Irish of Weston St. Patrick.

McCarthy, who stands a diminutive 5'9", netted eight field goals and 11 fouls for 27 points to lead the Crusader attack, while 6'2½" Pilcher chipped in with eight fielders and seven fouls for 23 markers. Rapidly improving Mike Nedeff also swished 15 points through the nets for the victorious Crusaders.

However, the game's scoring laurels went to Jim Wolfram of the Irish who netted seven goals and 14 charity tosses for 18 points. Wolfram was the only St. Patrick stalwart who scored with any consistency.

Pilcher hit on a jumping one-hand shot in the first minute to give Parkersburg Catholic a lead they never relinquished. The Crusaders built up a safe lead and then withstood a determined St. Patrick rally to cop a 21-20 bulge at the one-quarter post.

In the second eight minutes of action McCarthy "got hot" and the local quintet increased their lead to 47-36 with a 26 points explosion.

However, the Crusaders suddenly cooled off in the third period, meshing only eight counters as the Irish cut the margin to 55-49 thanks to the outstanding floor play to Wolfram.

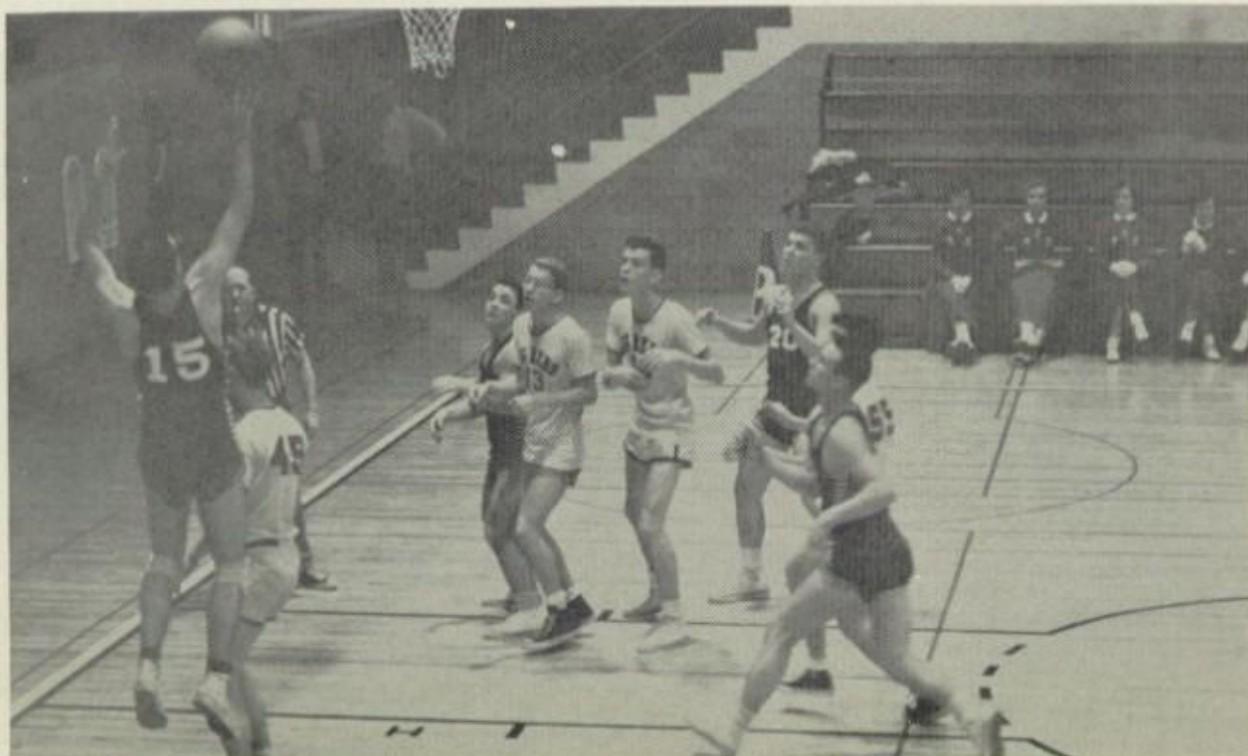
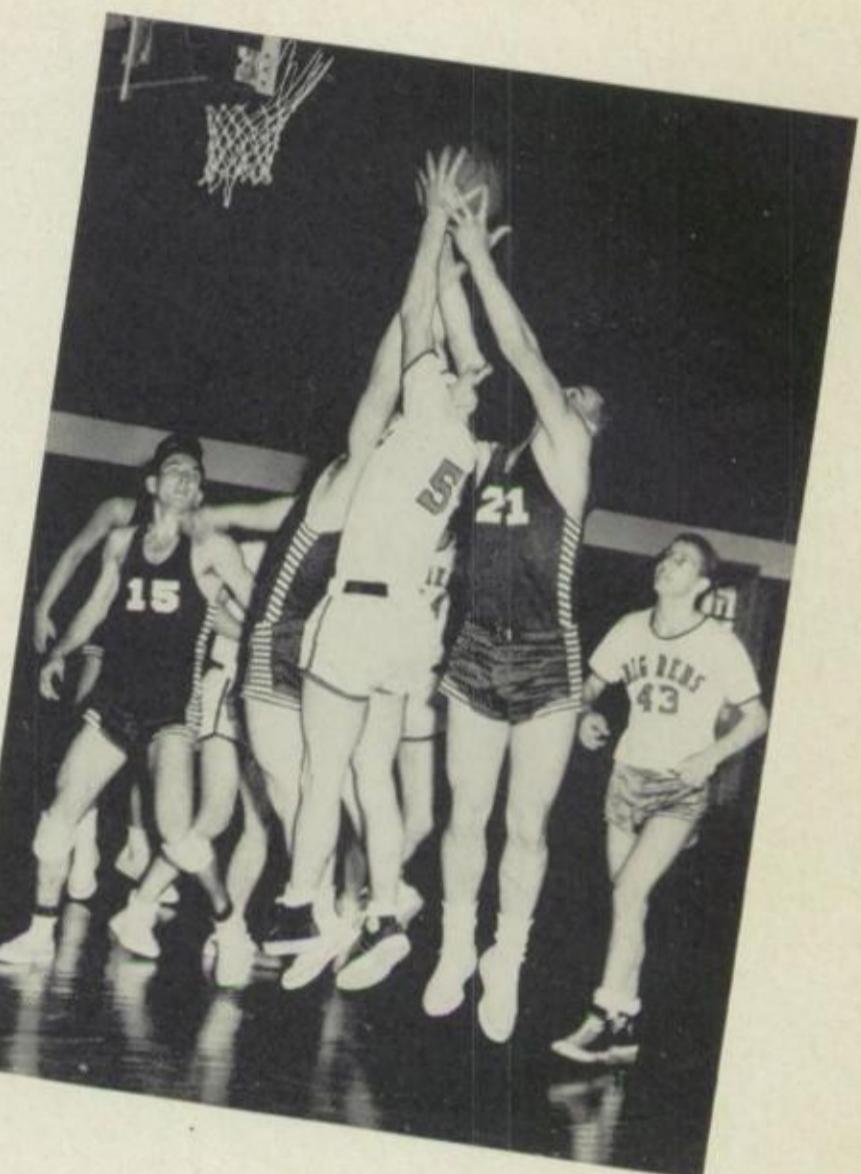
Parkersburg Catholic recovered in the final stanza to score 19 points and run out the string with a 74-63 verdict.

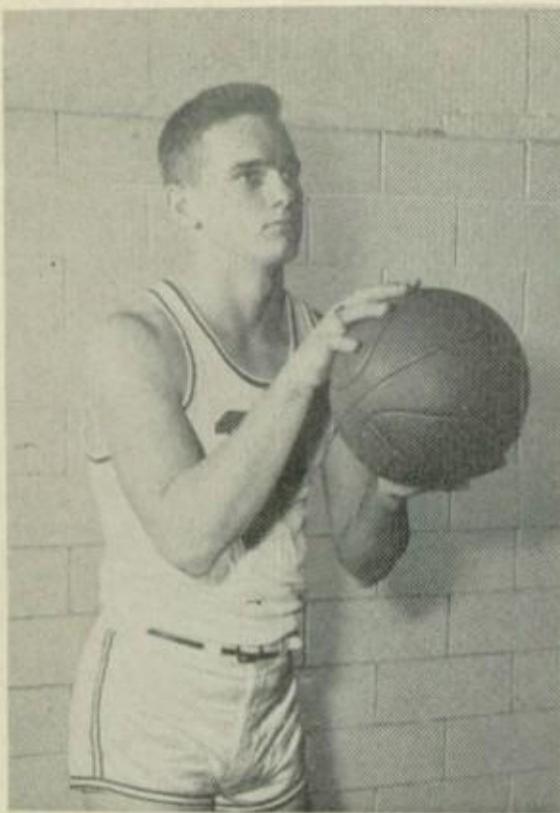
The Crusaders will return to action Tuesday night when they play a return engagement with Marietta St. Marys on the Irish home floor.

Pkbsg Cath	G	F	T	St. Pat.	G	F	T
Barrett,f	1	0	2	Cullen,f	1	3	5
Sanasik,f	0	1	1	Whelan,f	2	2	6
Pilcher,c	8	7	23	McGance,c	6	6	0
McCarthy,g	8	11	27	Linger,g	2	4	8
Nedeff,g	8	3	15	Wolfram,g	7	14	28
Peterman	0	1	1	Pope	3	3	4
Nochler	1	0	2	McLinger	1	5	5
Banter	1	1	3	Casey	2	3	7
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Parkersburg Catholic 21 26 8 18-74				St. Patricks 20 16 13 14-63			

Officials: Dutton, Devereaux.

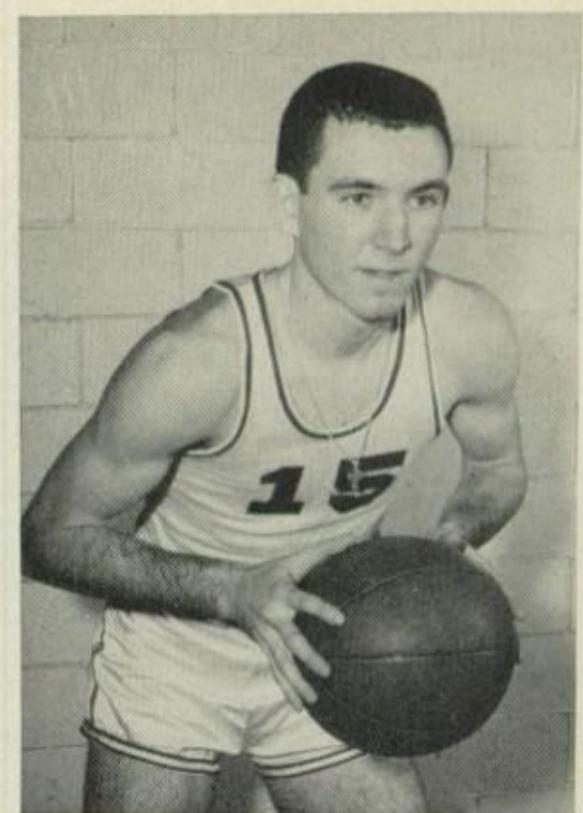
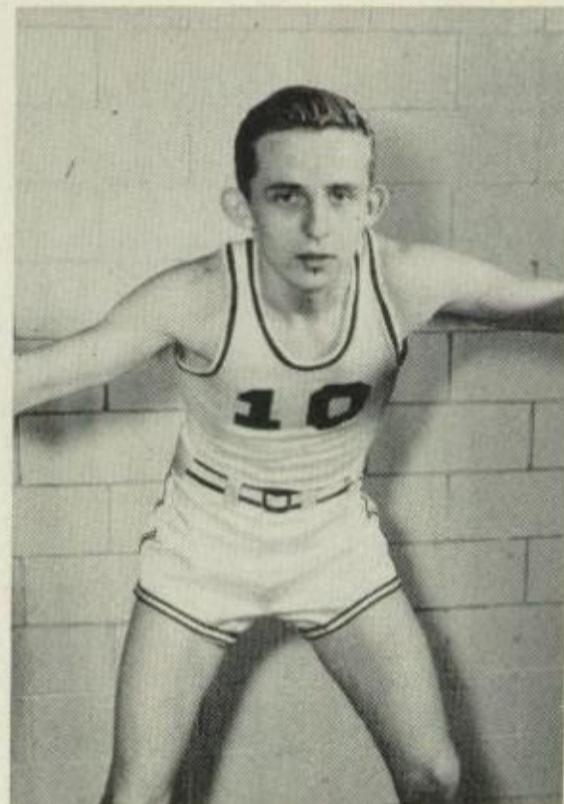
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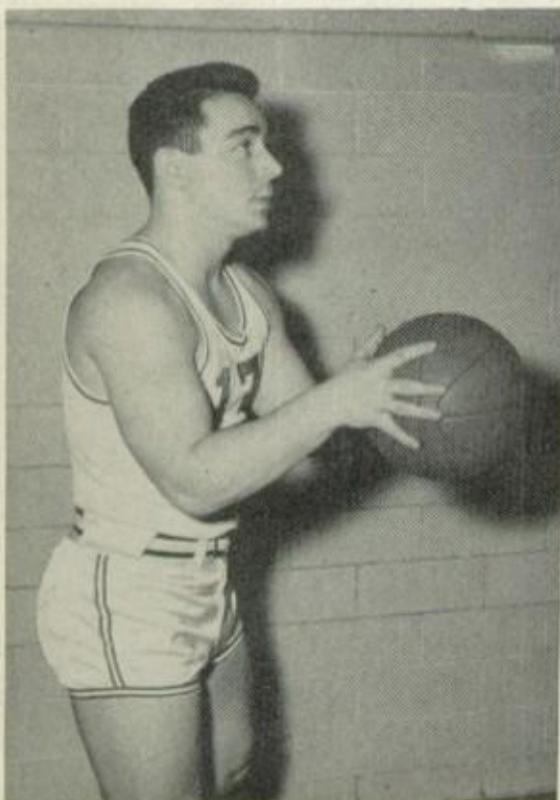
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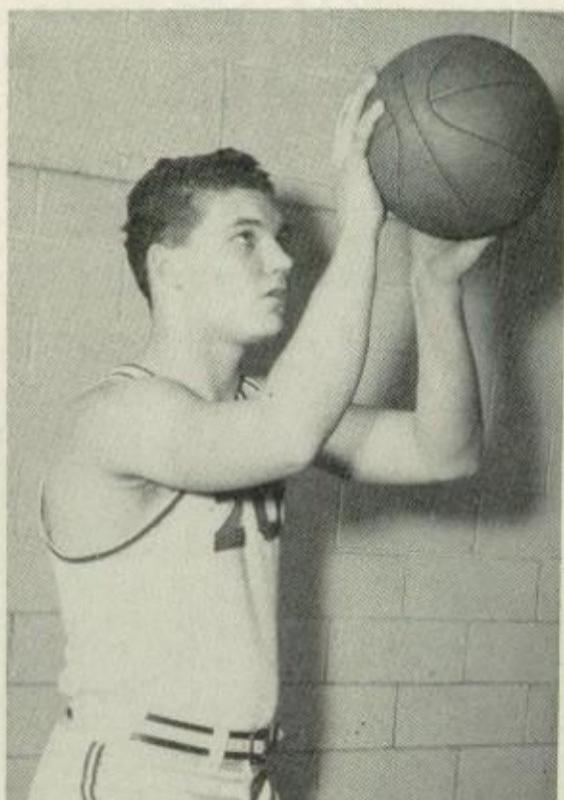


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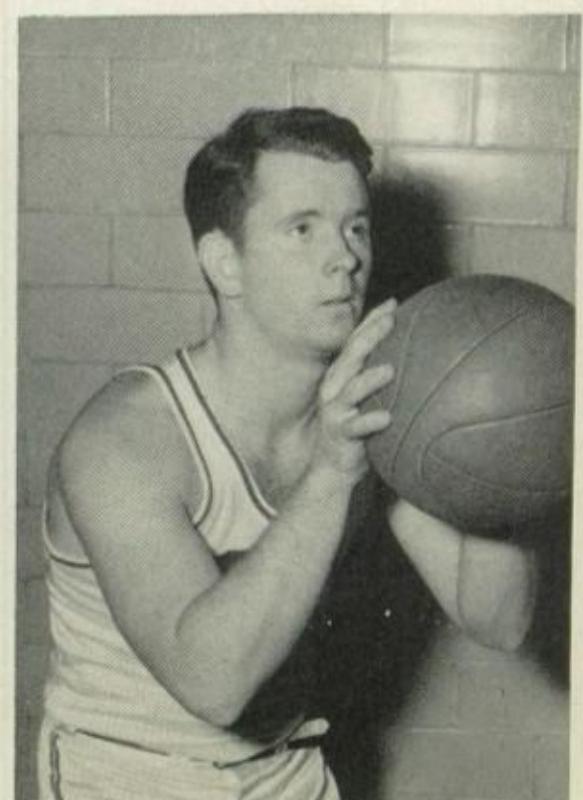
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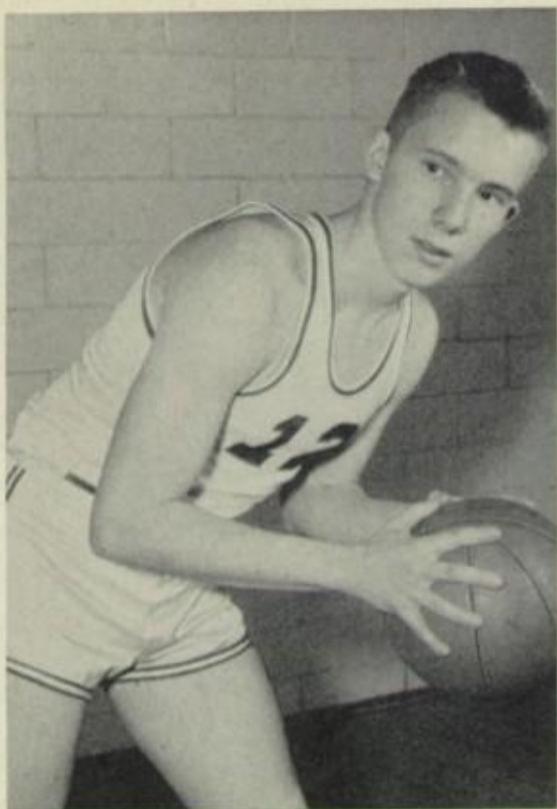
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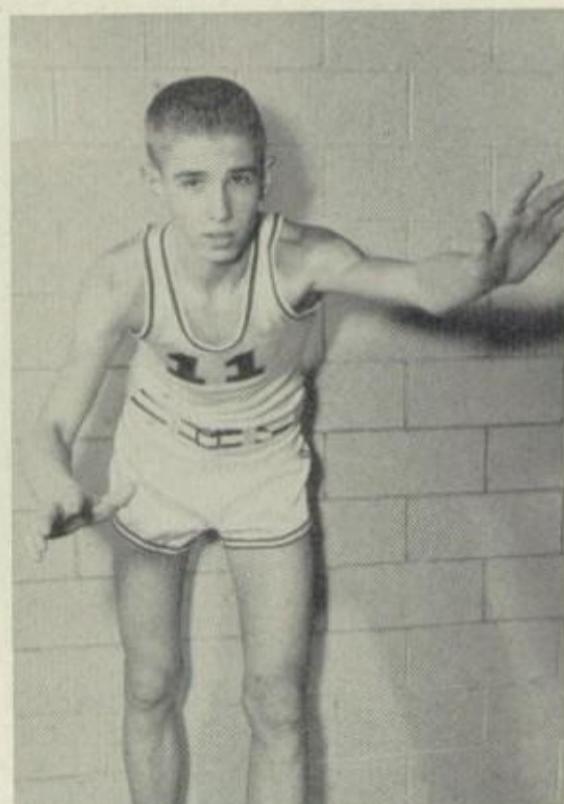
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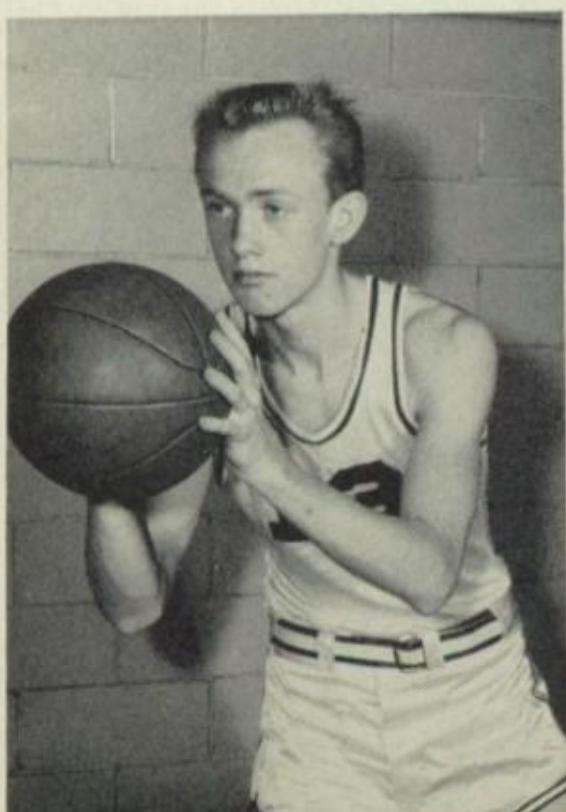


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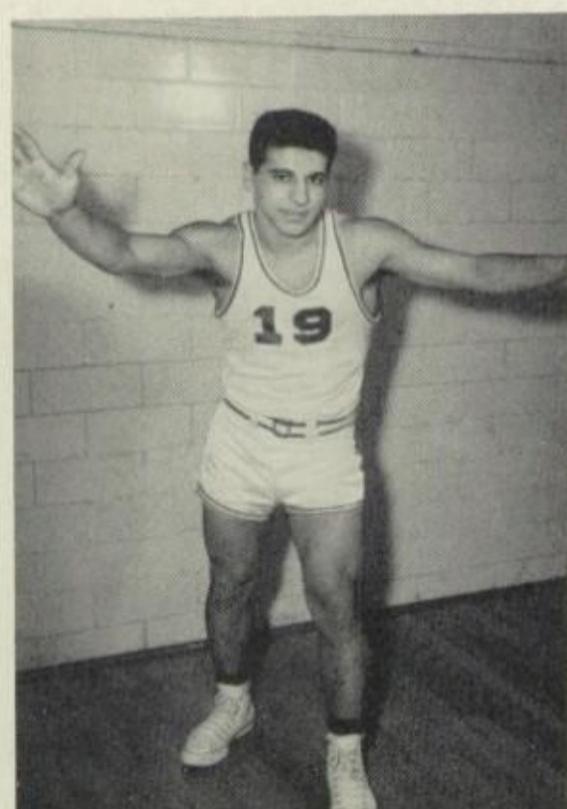


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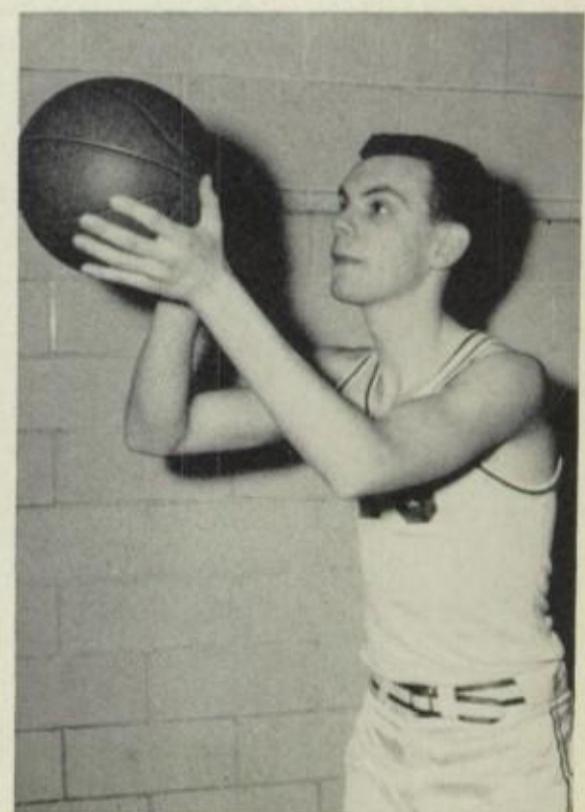
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James McNamara



Michael Nedeff



Jack Barrett

Cheerleaders



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Carie Ruth Garrity, Cornelia Bird, Marsha Solomon and Head Cheerleader Rosemary Yencha.

Win or lose we're with OUR CRUSADERS.





Coach Michael Nedeff, Jim McCarthy, Bob Fochler, Bob Rebhan, Mike Santer, Bob Pilcher, Dick Widlt, Jack Barrett, Don Ayersman, Sonny Peterman, Jerry Goebel, Mike Nedeff, Larry Barnes and Manager Jimmy Deem. Not Pictured: Jim McNamara and Fred Banasik.

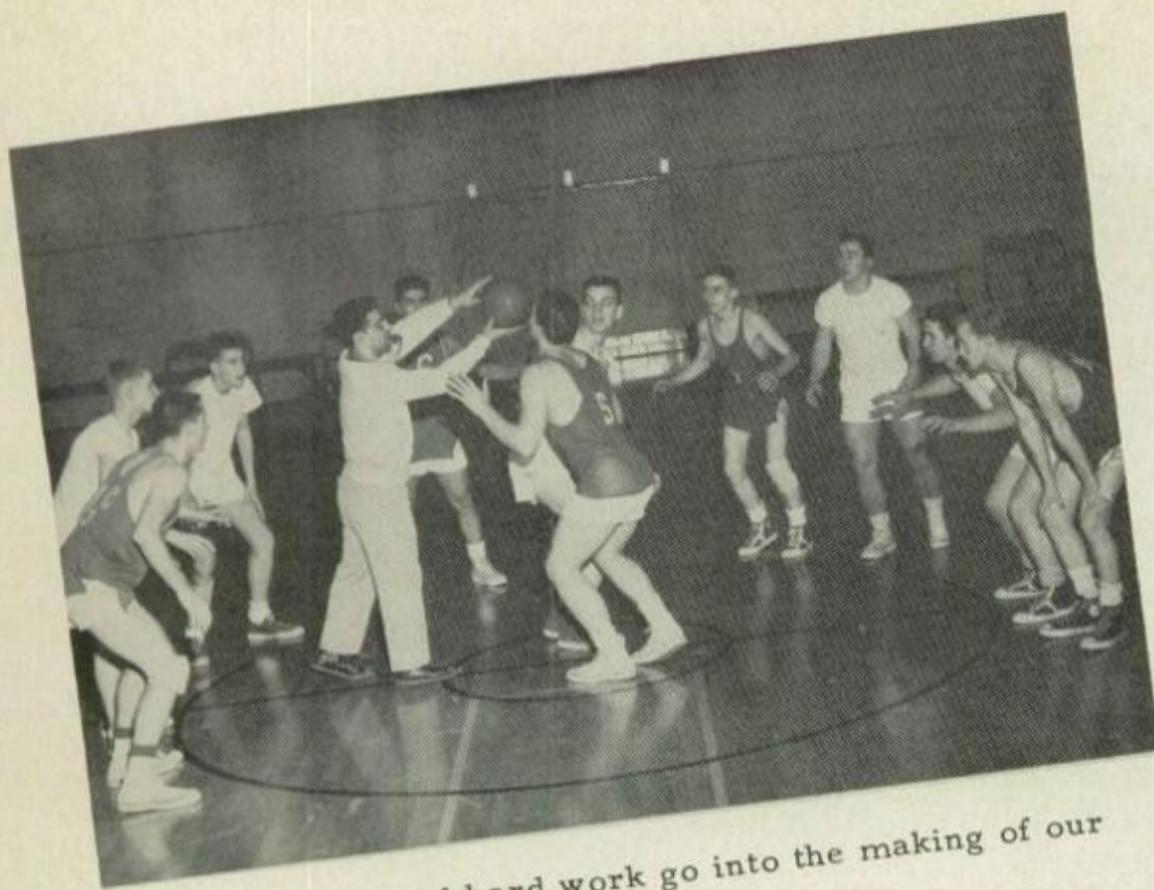
Varsity Team



Coach Michael Nedeff and Crusader Captains Don Ayersman and Bob Pilcher plan strategy for the Huntington Catholic Basketball Tournament.

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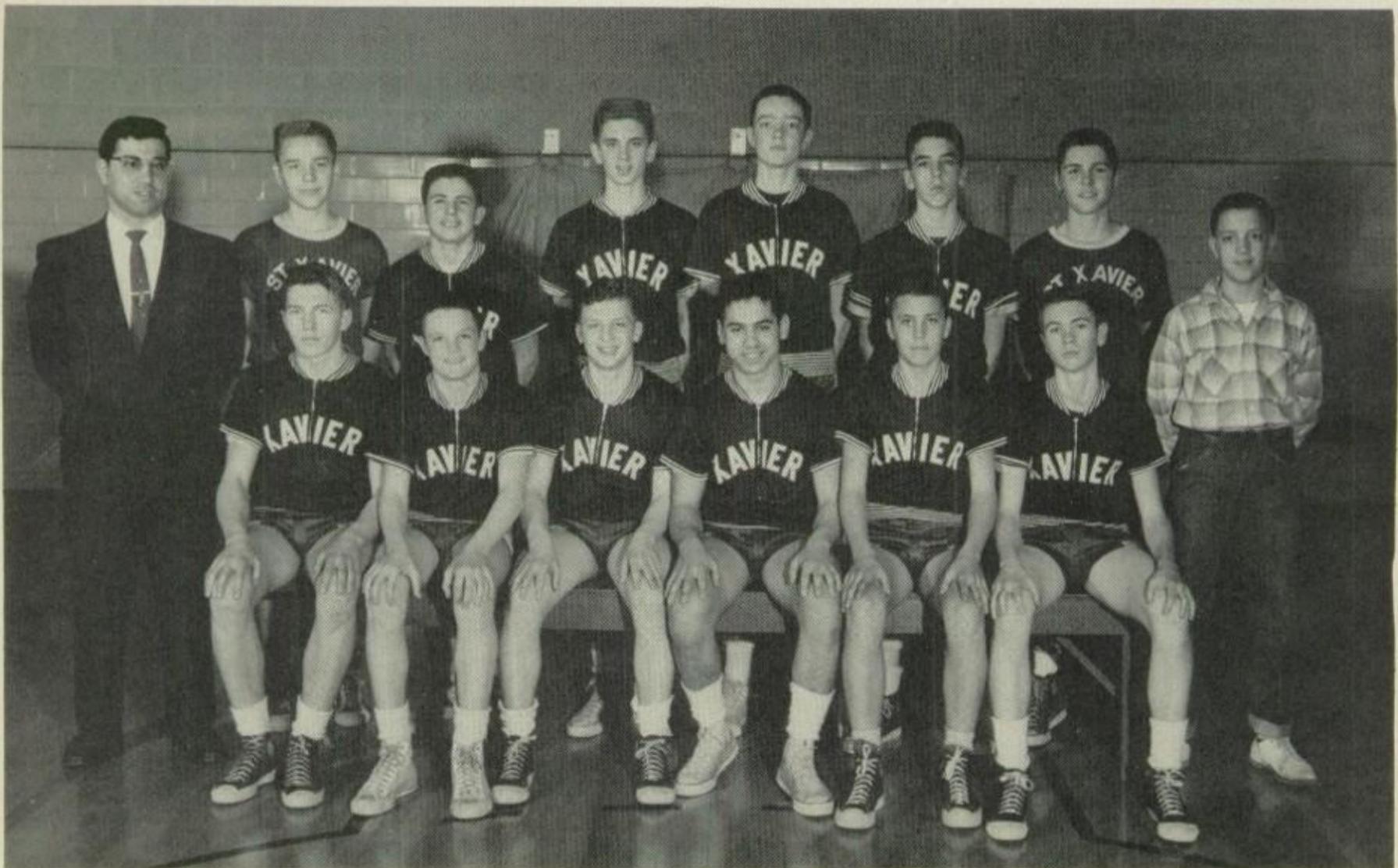
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Dec. 17	Paden City	Away
Dec. 21	Marietta Reserves	Home
Dec. 29	Alumni	Home
Jan. 4	Lowell	Away
Jan. 7	Big Reds Reserves	Away
Jan. 9	Fairmont St. Peter's	Away
Jan. 11	Sumner	Home
Jan. 13	Paden City	Home
Jan. 15	Ripley	Home
Jan. 16	Weston St. Patrick's	Home
Jan. 18	Marietta St. Mary's	Away
Jan. 21	Marietta Reserves	Away
Jan. 29	Coolville	Home
Feb. 1	Lowell	Home
Feb. 5	Weston St. Patrick's	Away
Feb. 8	Sumner	Away
Feb. 11	Coolville	Away
Feb. 16	Big Reds Reserves	Home
GAME TIME--	Varsity	8:15
SUNDAYS--	Preliminary	6:45
	Varsity	2:00
	Preliminary	12:45



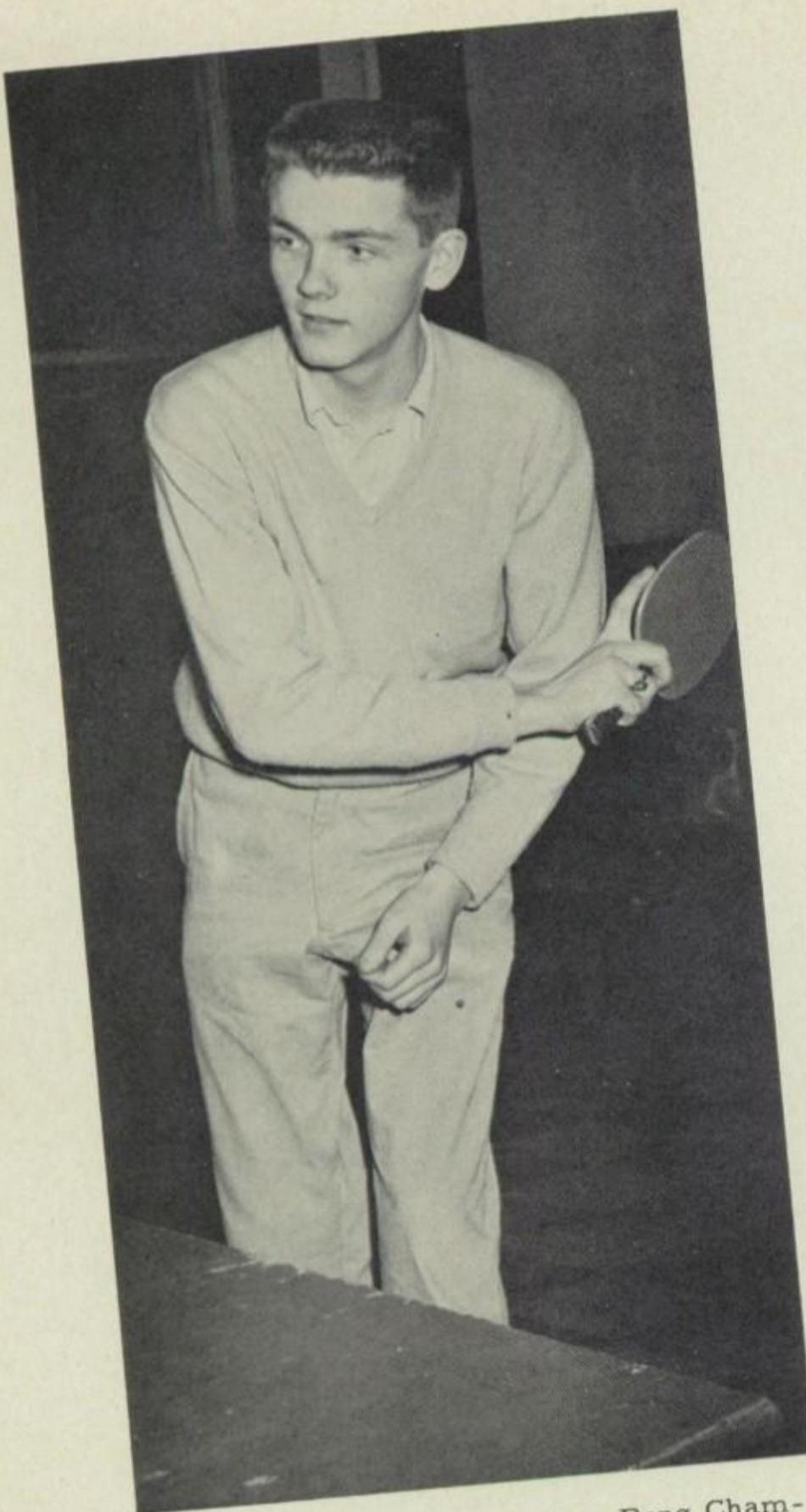
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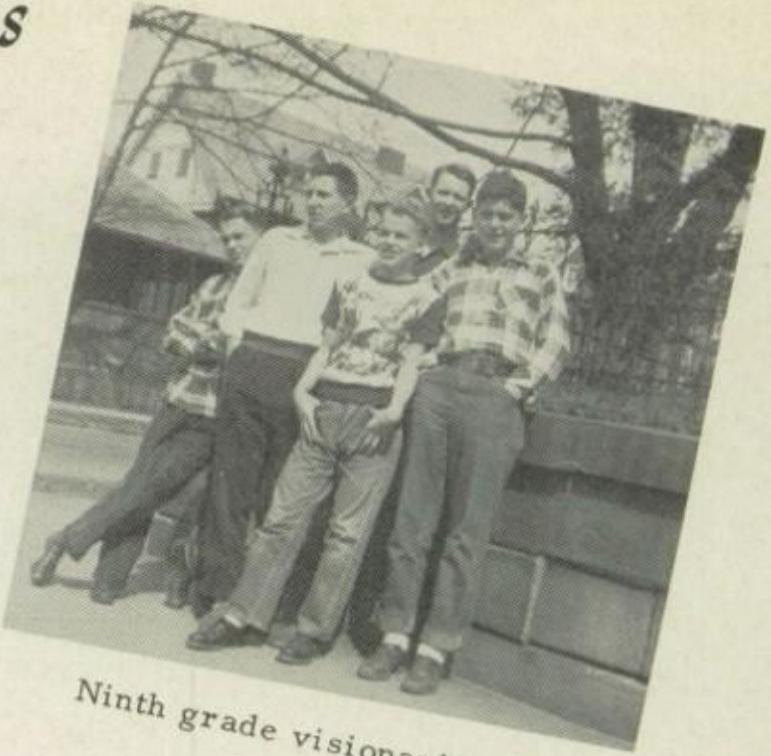
Girls' Gym Class shows coordination and poise.



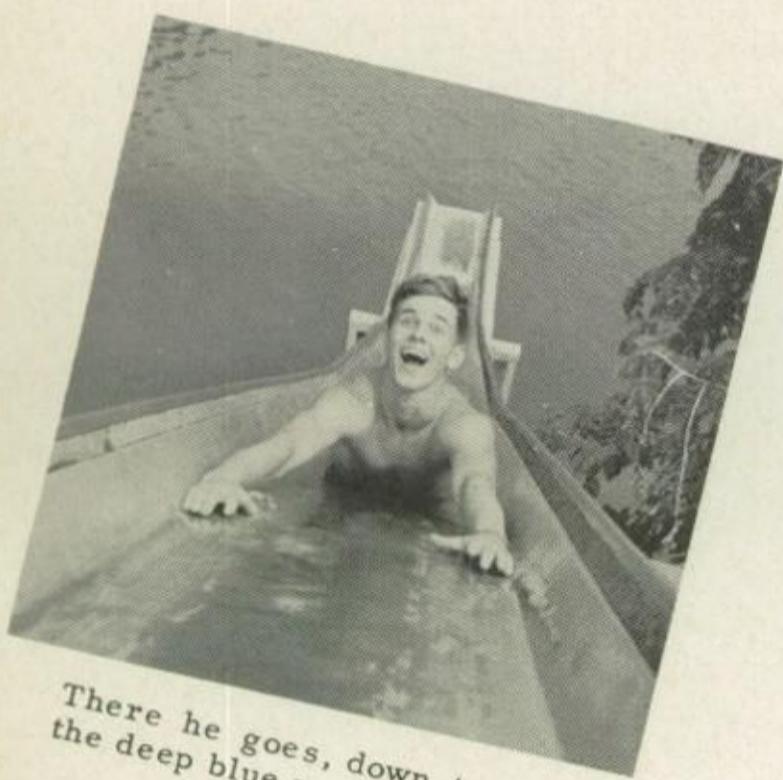
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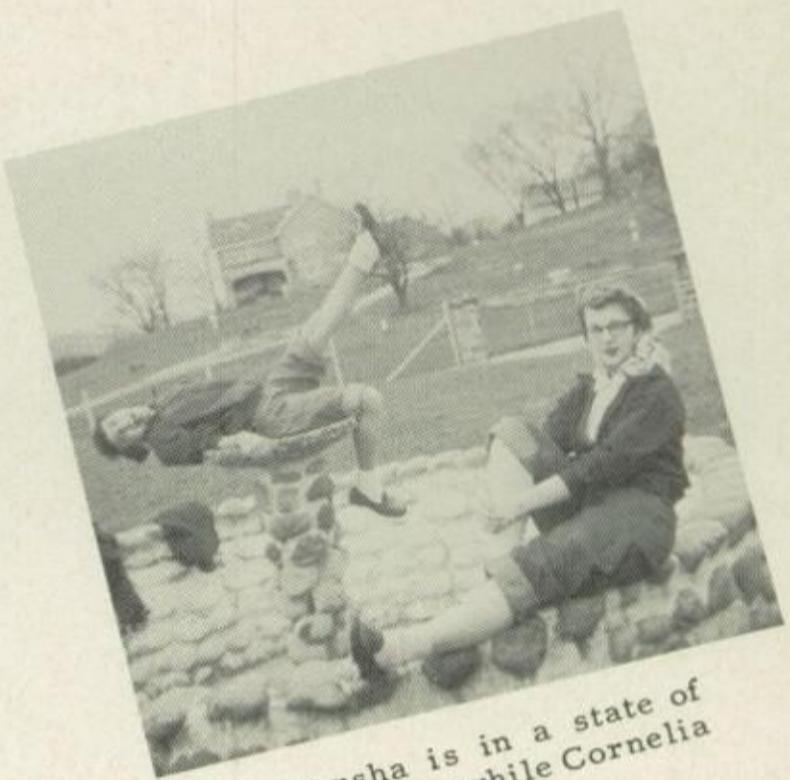
Group poses in front of
St. Mary's Church on
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Ninth grade visionaries...



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Marsha is in a state of
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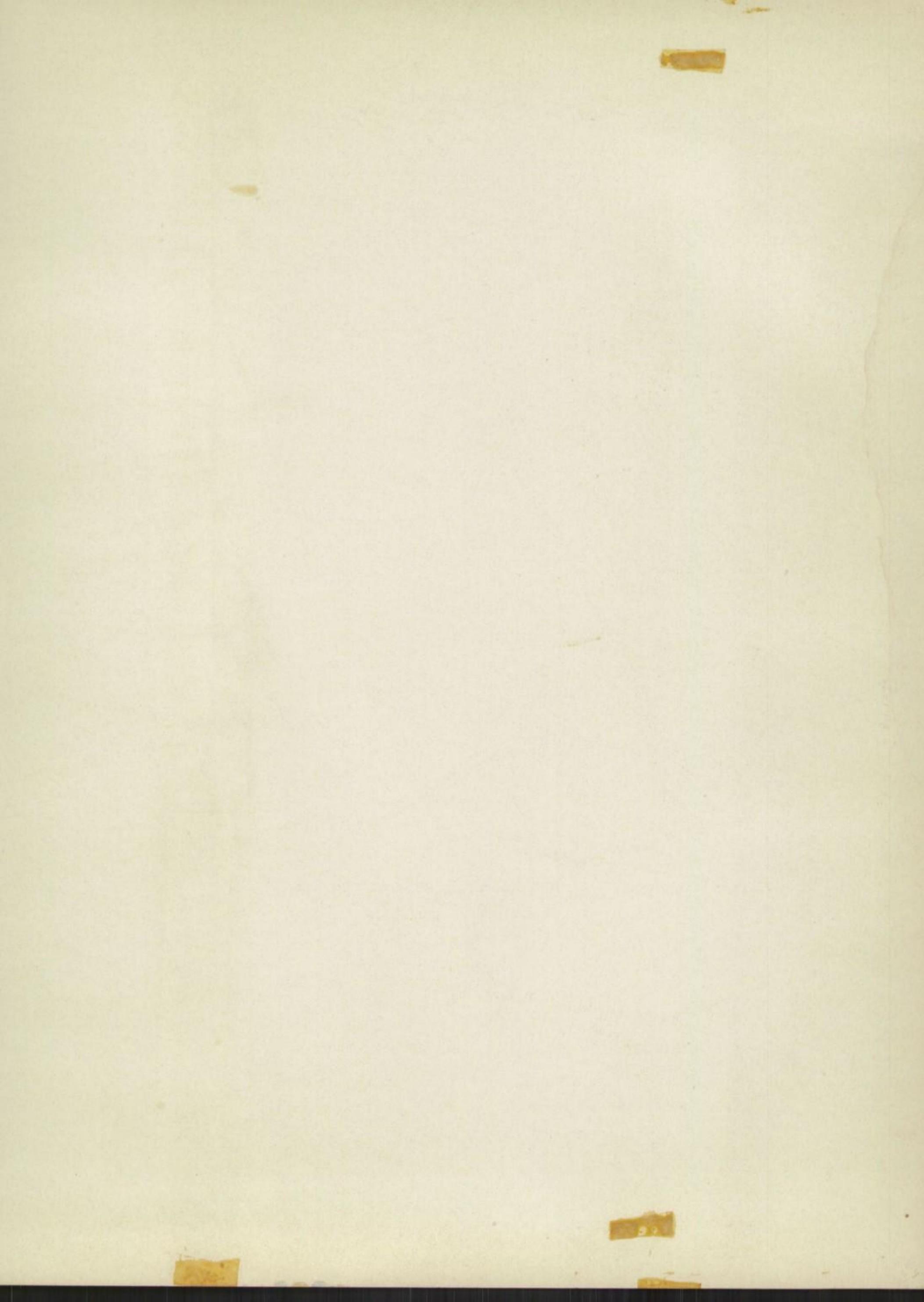
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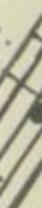
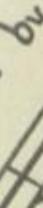
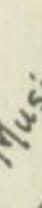
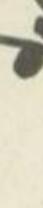
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"Honey"

(and) 't for those
who don't know

Remember Play at P.
Junior never
Always
Algoma
Always
you art.

Christie
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Loy' ty sail. Hard ships are
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